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EACH SUNDAY

8:15 AM Morning Worship
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Morning Worship
4:30 PM Worship Choir
5:00 PM AWANA
6:00 PM Evening Worship

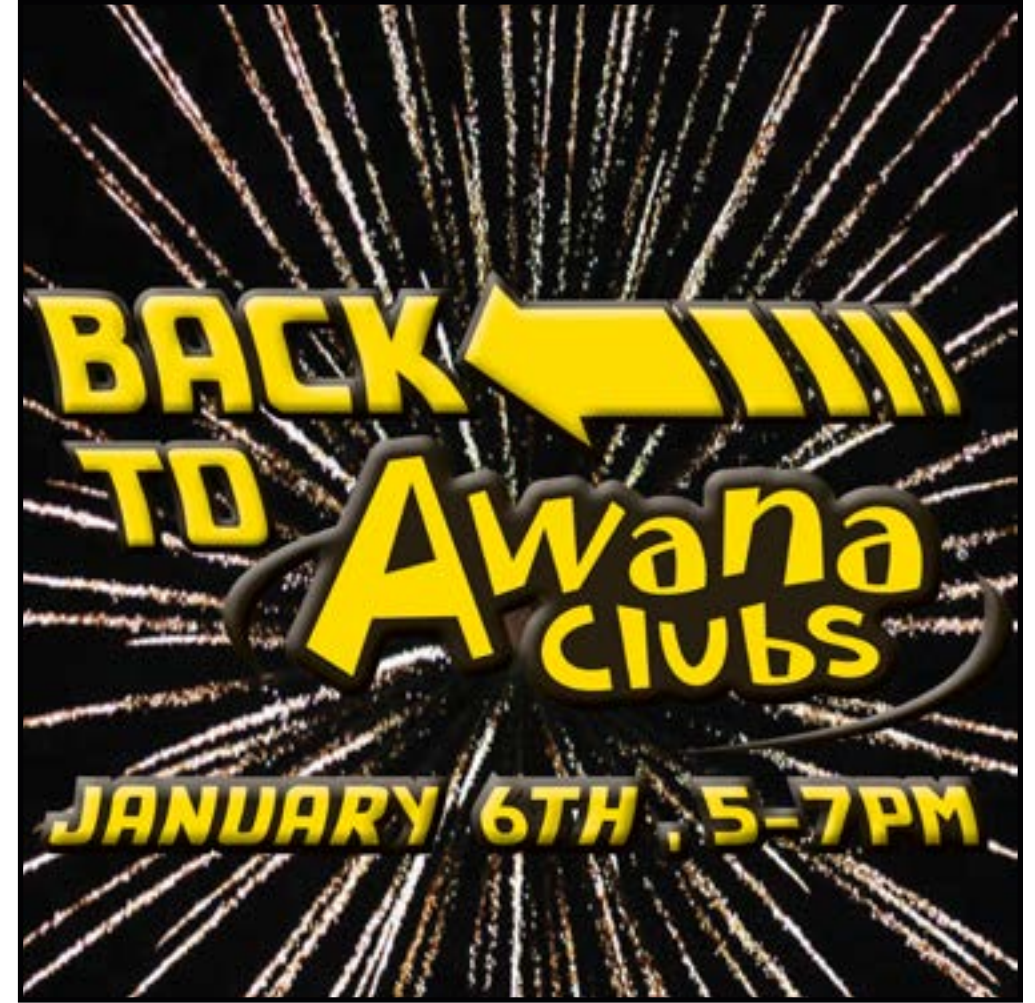
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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear South River Church Family,

Welcome to a new year and new opportunities to discover how God is working in our life and in the world around us. I want to encourage everyone to pause and to consider how you plan to make a difference in 2019 for the kingdom of God! Our church will kick off the new year with an emphasis on **Winning Others!** We all know someone without a personal relationship with Jesus. We have been commissioned to win them to faith and we must be winsome to win some.

How can we be more intentional in sharing our faith and reaching those we see throughout the week? During our study on **Winning Others** we will identify 2 people without a personal relationship with Jesus. They may be a family member, a coworker, a neighbor, a classmate, or a teammate. We will study how God's Word speaks to us to be intentional in praying for them, finding opportunities to care for them, and finally, how to share with them God's gracious offer in Jesus Christ.

This study will involve an honest examination of our priorities, our commitments, our finances, and our time. Ask yourself, where does God and the gospel fit in your life in these areas? Begin praying now about how He will use you to win others to Him.

I also want to encourage you to read through the Bible this year with our **Annual Bible Reading** guide for 52 weeks. These guides are available at the welcome desk and church office. Our faith grows as we grow in our knowledge of God through His Word. This guide will do just that! I challenge our men to set the pace and lead their homes in this enriching experience of hearing God speak every day from your own Bible.

Blessings,
Pastor Chris

PRESCHOOL

1ST SUNDAY

8:15 AM Worship
Michael & Stephanie
Wilhelm

Vickie Jenkins
10:45 AM Worship
April Thompson
Carol Stewart
Melanie Townsell
6:00 PM Worship
Brenda Runkle

2ND SUNDAY

8:15 AM Worship
Christi Kestler
Erica Barnette
Patsy Weston
Crystal Barnes
10:45 AM Worship
Lori Weston
Tammie Bowie
Gerri Hamby
6:00 PM Worship
Judy Callaway

3RD SUNDAY

8:15 Worship
Jason & Jenna Sherrill
Adrienne Blackwelder
10:45 Worship
Bonnie Hamilton
Nicole Johnson
6:00 PM Worship
TBD

4TH SUNDAY

8:15 Worship
Josh & Brittany Johns
Amber Allen
10:45 Worship
Tracey Gibson
Rebecca Thorpe
Erica Miller
6:00 PM Worship
TBD

1ST WEDNESDAY

April Thompson
Carol Stewart

2ND WEDNESDAY

Heather Baldwin
Jen Wall

3RD WEDNESDAY

Lesley Colvert

4TH WEDNESDAY

Don & Janet Johnson

5TH WEDNESDAY

TBD



SECURITY/GREETERS

JANUARY 6TH

Team #1
8:15 Worship - Terri Aiken
Sandra Ketchem
10:45 Worship - Faye Cook
Kaitlyn Lyon
6:00 PM Worship - Martha McCoy
Laura Campbell

JANUARY 13TH

Team #2
8:15 Worship - Patsy Weston
Bonnie Hamilton
10:45 Worship - Karen Warricks
Jeannie Webber
6:00 PM Worship - Robin Waugh
Phyllis Hedgepeth

JANUARY 20TH

Team #3
8:15 Worship - Karli Townsell
Olivia Townsell
10:45 Worship - Faye Cook
Kaitlyn Lyon
6:00 PM Worship - Martha McCoy
Phyllis Hedgepeth

JANUARY 27TH

Team #4
8:15 Worship - Erica Miller
Terri Aiken
10:45 Worship - Karen Warricks-
Vickie Miller
6:00 PM Worship - Martha McCoy
Laura Campbell

UPCOMING

ROMANIAN MISSION TRIP
March 31st - April 9th



There are still openings for this trip, so pray about whether the Lord is calling you to go. If interested, contact Pastor Chris @ 704-876-1520.

PRAYER TIMES

Every Sunday @ 5:00 PM Room 110
(Praying for church, city, county and nation)



GRIEF SHARE CLASSES

New classes begin February 20th, 2019
6:00 - 8:00 pm in Room 109
Contact Steve Jenkins (980) 263-4134 or
Lee McClure (704) 881-8187 for more information



2018/2019 MINISTRY BUDGET

YTD BUDGET GOALS	\$297,610.56
YTD BUDGET RECEIPTS	\$270,941.07
YTD SPECIAL OFFERING	\$11,133.00
TOTAL GIVING TO DATE	\$282,074.07

COMING THIS MONTH

Message Series starting January 6th, 2019

WINNING OTHERS

1 Corinthians 8:19-23



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PRAYER + CARE + SHARE



DEEP AND WIDE STUDENT MINISTRY

Being a Bold Witness...

And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes, and Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem. And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, by what power, or by what name, have ye done this? Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, if we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole; be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

When was the last time that you were in the midst of a group of people and had the opportunity to speak up about your Jesus? How did it turn out? Was your response one that was sprinkled with half-truths? Did you turn away and regret later that you didn't take advantage of the opportunity? In this passage Peter and John is in this very same situation. They had the opportunity to speak up or shut up. They could have agreed with the people of power or they could speak truth in the marketplace! They spoke truth, verse 13 says with boldness, and was only able to do so because they were filled with the Spirit according to verse 8. Church we to can speak with the same boldness but we must be filled with the Spirit. In order to be filled one needs to Walk in the Spirit and Abide in His Word daily! Galatians 5 speaks of this very thing starting with verse 16 and on. May we wake each day, suit up and be ready for the opportunity that is set before us.

Pastor Scott Townsell,
Student & Parent Discipleship



BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

- | | | | |
|----|--|----|--|
| 1 | Scotty Greene
Mason Murdock | 16 | Harold Christy
Ovanell Corriher |
| 2 | Bud Redmond | 18 | Margaret Galliher I |
| 3 | Lorene Wallace
Kieran Wilson | 20 | Jacob Deal
Donna Gallina |
| 4 | Casey Hilderbrand | 22 | Addison Carter
Kaitlyn Holman |
| 6 | Crystal Johns
Ty Templeton | 23 | Avery Cloer
Connie Cook
Daniel Marshall |
| 7 | Tyler Bowie
Tony Cloer
Elizabeth Deal
Isaiah Thompson | 25 | Holly Deal
Evan Shelton |
| 8 | Sherry Combs
Melanie Townsell | 26 | Susan Boyd
Ray Webber |
| 9 | Lucy Stroud | 27 | Wyatt LeFever
Jenny Mason
Kimberly Souther |
| 10 | Barbara Franklin
Sherrie Haithcox
Dregan Shook | 28 | Charles Campbell, Sr.
Hal Gibson
Carol Stewart |
| 11 | Geraldine Hancock | 29 | Tami Kotrech |
| 12 | Jessica Harris
Larry Johnson
Celena Wilhelm
Michael Wilhelm | 30 | Gloria Martin
Jamin Thorpe |
| 13 | Vaguel Church | 31 | Carol Davis |
| 14 | Erica Barnette
Madison Burnette | | |
| 15 | Gene McCoy | | |

ANNIVERSARIES

JANUARY

- | | |
|----|---------------------------|
| 1 | Larry & Jean Morrison |
| 5 | Allen & Teresa Stroud |
| 8 | Craig & Mary Morrison |
| 21 | Jonathan & Christina Reed |
| 24 | Dan & Allayne McGee |

WELCOME

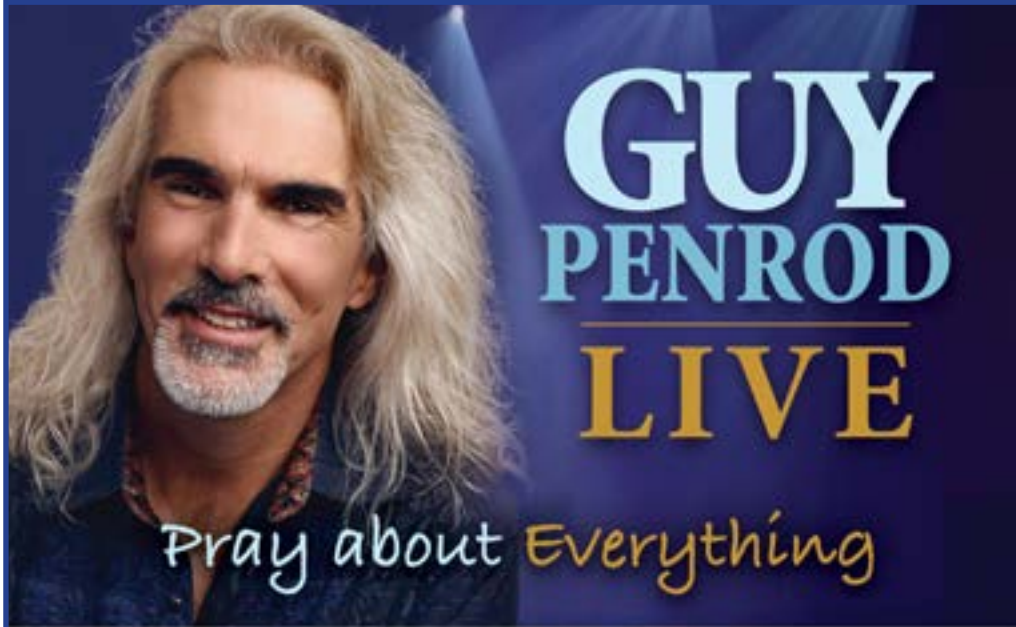
NEW MEMBERS - BY BAPTISM

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SPECIAL EVENTS



Saturday, February 9th 7:00 pm

Doors Open @ 6:15 pm

**Tickets for \$20 ea onsite or see
www.southernriverbaptist.com/tickets**



WORSHIP MINISTRY

RIVER WORSHIP CHOIR

6th AM	How Can It Be?	PM	Our God Saves
13th AM	Let the Rocks Keep Silent	PM	In Jesus' Name
20th AM	Make Your Praise Glorious	PM	We'll Soon Be Done
27th AM	My All in All	PM	Heaven Medley

SPECIAL

6th AM	Tammy Pearman	PM	Old Paths Trio
13th AM	Amanda Pauley	PM	Jimmy Williams
20th AM	Wynston Lyles	PM	South River Boys
27th AM	Matt Estes	PM	Carol Davis

WEDS 2nd Wilma Huffman 9th Carolyn Sprinkle 16th No solo 23rd Rachel Davidson
30th Dan McGee

**SAVE
THE
DATE**



Worship Ministry Appreciation Fiesta
Friday, January 18th
6:00 - 8:00 pm

**An evening of great food & fun as we rejoice in 2018
and look forward to God's plans for 2019!**

Please bring your spouse or significant other and reserve
your attendance & childcare by Sunday, January 13th

YOUNG AT HEART

JULIET CLUB

Tuesday, January 15th

11:30 am



Vesuvio's

118 Venture Lane

Young At Heart Soup & Sandwich Lunch Saturday, January 12th 11:30 am Family Life Center

Come take a break from all the rich foods from Christmas and enjoy some great fellowship. Bring your favorite dessert. We'll provide the soup, sandwiches & drinks.

Sign up in Welcome Center or SS Class



Ministry to the Homebound

This month, we are searching for team members willing to make scheduled visits to homebound members of the South River church family. This is a very rewarding ministry to our faithful saints. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Pauley at chrisp@southriverbaptist.com or call 704-876-1520 ext. 116.

RIPPLE KIDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Children's Christmas Play. As they shared the good news we have prayed that you have received the free gift of salvation. Commonly you hear the phrase "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" as if the two events are almost one. The excitement for Christmas is huge, but then we follow up with the breath of a new start. Many will start 2019 with a New Year's Resolution. Some will have lists of things they hope to accomplish in the new year. All of these are probably good things, but we must consider our relationship with the Lord. Every day we should look for His great mercies and stop planning for just the new year or even the new day. We should be planning for the eternity. Life is short and the actions/decisions that we make here will affect eternity. We cannot afford to be weighed down by our wants, desires, and comforts whenever this earth will only pass away. So, in this new year prayerfully consider living each day for the eternity. And if you mess up just remember His mercy is never-ending!

Lamentations 3:22-23 (ESV)

22 The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; 23 they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. \

James 4:13-17 (ESV)

13 Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"— 14 yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. 15 Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that." 16 As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil. 17 So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

Hebrews 12:1-2 (ESV)

1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Pastor Stephen Hart,
Children & Parent Discipleship

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

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Col. 1:27

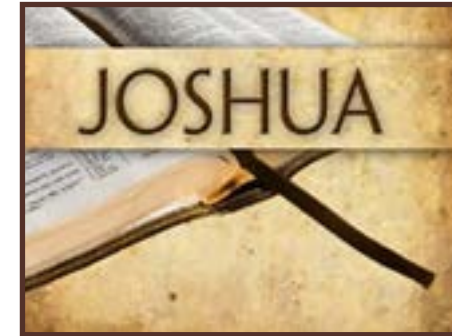
"To them God
willed to make
known what are the
riches of the glory
of His mystery
among the Gentiles
Christ in you,
the hope of glory,"



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
Bible Study - Romans
Sundays - 9:30 am Room B3



DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY



Message Series

with Pastor Chris

Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm

FLOCK MINISTRY



Flock ministry Children at Risk:

As 2018 closes during the season of Christ's birth, it is wonderful to reflect on the many blessings God has provided to families of children at risk in Iredell County. In the first half of December, we served 5 families, providing 7 beds of various sizes and 11 other pieces of furniture. To date, we have met the needs of 184 children and their families, since we began this ministry in October of 2017. Seventy-five families have been visited. We have prayed with them, shared information about Christ and our church, and provided for many of their physical needs. We learn about these needs from the Department of Social Services. It is evident that the families we visit are working toward a good home life for their families.

Just recently, one of our dedicated men organized a group of 12 volunteers including youth and children, 5 trucks, and a mixture of beds, furniture, bedding, and toys to visit 4 families in the Iredell County area. One of the lady volunteers was impacted by the joyful, emotional response of one of the mothers. The mother commented that she would definitely be visiting South River with her children. That is what this is all about. Loving our neighbors and praying for them and encouraging them to pursue a personal relationship with Christ and joining in fellowship with other believers.

You too can be involved in this ministry at any time. Whether you volunteer your time or provide for the physical needs of the family or pray for this ministry, we are thankful for you. We welcome your donations of lightly used and clean clothing, baby accessories, cribs, beds, any furniture and appliances, household goods and any other basic necessities. We also welcome monetary donations after you have given your tithe to the church. Just designate Flock ministry on the check when you put it in offering plate. The foundation of this ministry is prayer and the Source of all of the physical and spiritual blessings for this ministry come from our faithful Lord. May He continue to receive all the honor and praise and glory!



Mark Your Calendars

February 9th - Guy Penrod in Concert

2019

january

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		New Year's Days Church Office Closed	7:00 pm Wednesday Activities	6:15 pm Jail Ministry		
		1	2	3	4	5
Bible Read Wk 2 9:30 am River Walk Class Deacon's Mtg 5:00 pm AWANA 6:00 pm War Report	2:00 pm Good News Club	5:00 pm Central Food Packs	7:00 pm Wednesday Activities	10:00 am CBS 10:30 am YAH Min @ Journey's 6:15 pm Jail Ministry 7:00 pm Brookdale Bible Study		11:30 am YAH Soup & Sandwich Lunch (FLC)
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Bible Read Wk 3 9:30 am River Walk Class	2:00 pm Good News Club	11:30 am JULIET (Vesuvio's) 3:00 pm Food Pantry 5:00 pm Central Food Packs	7:00 pm Wednesday Activities 8:00 pm Stewardship Mtg	10:00 am CBS 6:15 pm Jail Ministry 7:00 pm Brookdale Bible Study	6:00 pm Worship Ministry Appreciation Fiesta (FLC)	9:00 am Women't Breakfast (FLC)
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Bible Read Wk 4 9:30 am River Walk Class	D&W Student Snowtubing Trip	5:00 pm Central Food Packs	7:00 pm Wednesday Activities	10:00 am CBS 6:15 pm Jail Ministry		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Bible Read Wk 5 9:30 am River Walk Class	2:00 pm Good News Club	5:00 pm Central Food Packs	6:00 pm Youth Council 7:00 pm Wednesday Activities	10:00 am CBS 6:15 pm Jail Ministry		
27	28	29	30	31		