



# SPRING FORWARD

Set clocks  
ahead one hour  
on March 7.

## A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

### ARE YOU HONEST WITH GOD???

A man has no more right to determine the terms of his stewardship than he has to determine the conditions of his salvation. This prerogative belongs only to God. And God says that we should give as we are prospered, 1 Cor. 16:2. Is your tithe an honest portion of your income?

Whether we admit it or not, we all have a stewardship responsibility to God. And it involves not just our money, but all that we are and all that we can be as well. Our shortcomings in this area reflect a teaching need. Do you give to God an honest share of yourself?

The wise men first, “fell down and worshipped Him.” Then they “opened their treasures and presented unto Him gifts.” Our giving is an expression of our love for the Lord. When we profess to love God and at the same time complain about tithing, we are dishonest with God. When we claim to love God with all our being and then fail to give Him at least a tenth of our total income (before anything is deducted), or a tenth of our time, talents, or anything else that constitutes life, we lie, and the truth is not in us. We are dishonest with God.

Tithing is more than paying an obligation to God; it is an act of worship. It is more than a system of financing the church. It is a plan that reflects one’s devotion to God. It is not a headache; it is a joy. It is these and more IF you are honest with God and give because you want to.

If you tithe just because it is the expected thing to do, it becomes a burden to you and gives a false testimony to others. If love motivates your tithing, it is a joy, and others can detect that joy in your life. Have you been dishonest with God?

- Dr. Charles E. Brown



## MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT!

### SATURATE MOBILE

A Saturday morning in late January saw 36 volunteers hit the streets with a new mission for the year 2020: reach every household in the 36693 zip code. Supplied with packets containing a DVD of 3 Jesus films, a gospel tract, a jar opener, and materials with information about Government Street Baptist Church, they reached 1,079 households. The goal is to reach all 8,793 households in the 36693 zip code this year as part of the local vision of Saturate Mobile and the wider vision of Saturate USA.

Saturate USA is “a God-sized vision to take the love of the Gospel to 60 million households by the end of 2020.” Encouraging each church to “adopt” a zip code, the desire of this program is to “win America back to Christ.” For 5-year-old Trent the purpose was simple. “We’re delivering gifts from God about Jesus.”

There will be several opportunities to participate in this unique outreach in the months ahead. Keep an eye on the church calendar for upcoming dates and contact Brooks Alexander in the church office with any questions.



Pete Riehm & Trent

# MINISTRY MINUTE



## Education Ministry

Our next Men's Lunch will take place on Wednesday, March 11, at 11:30 am in the Youth Room. Our guest speaker is Terry Curtis who is the Head Football Coach and Athletic Director at UMS-Wright. Please attend and invite a guest.

The next Saturate Mobile distribution will take place on Saturday, March 28. We will meet at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall and go out in teams in our community and deliver gospel materials including the Jesus DVD, a gospel tract, a church brochure, and an invite card. You are invited to participate.

The Week of Prayer for North American Missions will take place on March 1 through March 8. Our church goal for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions is \$5,000.00. Everyone is invited to attend a North American Mission Study on Sunday, March 15, at 4:00 pm in the Hospitality Room.

- Brooks Alexander

## G-Street Kidz Children's Ministry

Welcome to the March winds that will bring the anticipation of April showers. Before those March winds set in and the April showers head our way, here are some upcoming dates to put on your calendar for the Children's Ministry.

March 4th: Wednesday Night Lego Night

March 21st: Messy Games from 10:00-11:30 am

March 22nd: Potato Bar Fund Raiser and also the last day to sign-up/pay deposit for Kids camp.

March 22nd: Krispy Kreme Coupon Fund Raiser Begins

Here are some future dates to go ahead and put on your calendar: OWA outing-April 1st, Easter Egg Hunt-April 11th, VBS FunShop- April 25th, and Mother-Son Date Night-May 2nd.

Lastly, let me provide a quick update on the 1st Annual Daddy-Daughter Ball. The Ball was an amazing experience for the Dads and the Daughters. There were a total of 40 people that participated, and without a lot of help from many, *many* wonderful people I would not have been able to pull it off. Thank you so much!!!! If you haven't yet, take a moment to go to the Children's Ministry Facebook page G'Street Kidz of Government Street Baptist Church and see the pictures of the event.

In His Service, Bro. Charles <><

## Generate Student Ministry

Welcome to March! META is here, and I could not be more excited!

META is our Disciple Now weekend completely devoted to discipleship. As Jesus followers, we are called to be disciples who make disciples. This weekend is anchored in that truth and everyone is welcome! Josh Hall will be our speaker, and Exit 13 will be leading our worship. I believe in the power of this weekend because it is all about Jesus.



Would you join me in praying for our students?

I believe this generation is full of passion and potential for the glory of God!

- Aaron

## THANK YOU:

Government St. Baptist,

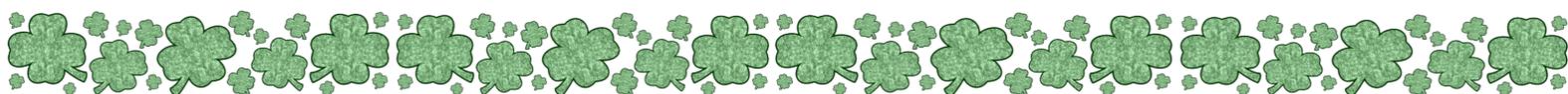
Thank you all for your love, support, and prayers. They have been much needed and appreciated. I'm recovering well and getting stronger each day. Loving my new roommates at the Driskell Inn!

— God Bless, Vanessa Driskell

It is with heavy and broken heart that I express my appreciation for all the kindness extended to myself and family in Johnny's death. It is overwhelming. I know of no other church to have such a wonderful church family, some of which went "above and beyond the call of duty" to Johnny and then to myself and family. She touched many a person, and I know she will be missed.

We thank you and ask God to bless each of you.

— Sonny Willisson





## Child Development Center

February was a fun-filled month for us. We had a blast on Valentine's Day taking in as much sugar as possible, but more importantly, we quoted "Love One Another" from John 13:34 many times throughout the day. February also brought us many new faces among our teachers and our children, so we are enjoying getting to know them.

With March now here we start "marching" to plans of summer and next school year. We covet your prayers during this planning time, that God's plans are fulfilled and all is to His glory. For the CDC, Intent to Return for 2020-2021 begins March 9. And the theme for Summer Camp 2020 is "Bible Flix...Come see what God does next."

What if we always sought with great anticipation "What God is going to do next?"

- In Christ, Deborah Eddie

## Government Street Christian School

J. Gresham Machen wrote "For Christians to influence the world with the truth of God's Word requires the recovery of the great Reformation doctrine of Vocation. Christians are called to God's service not only in church professions, but also in every secular calling." Our vision, our mission at Government Street Christian School is to develop resilient disciples for Christ prepared and ready spiritually and academically to engage the wider secular culture through vocation. Furthermore, our hope is to cultivate students' intellectual abilities and academic skills so that they may recognize their God inspired inclinations and interests and serve God and community in their vocation and career. Thank you for praying for the GSCS administration, faculty, and students.

-Bryan Townsend

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Lorenzo French, Mrs. Gayla French, and family in the loss of their sister and sister-in-law, Mrs. Nora Lindstrom.

Mr. James McGraw and family in the loss of his brother, Mr. Charles McGraw.

Mr. Sonny Willisson and family in the loss of his wife, Mrs. Johnny Willisson.

Mrs. Shirley Shearer and family in the loss of her brother, Mr. Ken Cochran.

Mr. Michael Pocase and family in the loss of his mother, Mrs. Fern Pocase.

Mr. Ronald Houston and family in the loss of his nephew, Mr. Maurice Houston.

**VOLUNTEERS**

### Nursery

### Mini-Church

03/01	Shila Gilbert & Joe Gilbert	03/01	Jennifer Butler & Nate Smith
03/08	Cathy Alexander & Gwen Pritchard	03/08	Maria Byrns & Caitlyn Smith
03/15	Rebekah Smith & Jason Smith	03/15	Tiffany Mastin & Meredith Smith
03/22	Libby Simms & Gwen Pritchard	03/22	Lindsey Oliver & Brandon Oliver
03/29	Tiffany Feathers & Charles Feathers	03/29	Tiffany Mastin & Meredith Smith

"We need a **PASSION** to see people who are far from God experience the **NEW LIFE** He offers through Jesus Christ."

J.D. GREAR

who's your **ONE?**

### Sunday Outreach by Deacons

### Church Officers

03/01	David Eddie, Cliff Baugus & Chad Milam	03/01	Brandon Oliver & Steve Vickery
03/08	David Burcham & James Paravicini	03/08	Brian Barnett & James Paravicini
03/15	Gary Raulerson & Jason Smith	03/15	Ronnie Boulter & Ed Walters
03/22	Gavin Butler & Matt Graham	03/22	David Burcham & Jon Anderson
03/29	Joe Gilbert & Ralph Shine	03/29	Greg Parker & Gavin Butler

### CHURCH FINANCE

01/26/20	\$	6,809.61
02/02/20	\$	13,742.47
02/09/20	\$	9,001.40
02/16/20	\$	13,303.40
YTD Budget Requirement:	\$	456,586.68
YTD Budget Receipts:	\$	364,938.37
Income vs. Expenses	- \$	53,091.85

# March Events

- 1 Week of Prayer for North American Missions (3/1-3/8)
- 2 GSCS/CDC Dr. Seuss Day
- 3 9:00 am Sr. Adult Prayer & Praise-Hosp.Rm  
10:00 am Adult Bible Study/Lunch-Hosp.Rm.
- 5 8:15 am Sr. Adults to Gulfport Outlets/Lunch @ McElroy's/  
Jefferson Davis Home
- 6 DNOW Weekend (3/6-3/8)
- 7 Time Change—Set Clocks Ahead!
- 9 CDC Open Registration  
6:00 pm Deacons Meeting
- 11 11:30 am Men's Lunch-Youth Rm.  
3:00 pm GSCS Blood Drive-Rm.103
- 12 9:00 am Sr. Adult Dominoes-Hosp.Rm.
- 13 GSCS Last of 3rd Quarter  
5:30 pm Youth Game Night
- 15 4:00 pm North American Mission Study –Hosp.Rm.
- 16 GSCS Teacher Workday/No School  
5:30 pm School Committee Meeting
- 17 GSCS 4th Quarter Begins  
9:00 am Sr. Adult Prayer & Praise-Hosp.Rm.  
10:00 am Adult Bible Study/Lunch-Hosp.Rm.
- 20 6:00 pm Ladies Night Out-Amy Barnes Concert @ Dayspring
- 21 9:00 am 'Rags to Blessings' Sewing Day-Rm.207  
10:00 am Children's Water/Messy Games
- 22 12:00 pm Children's Baked Potato Bar Fundraiser-Fell.Hall
- 26 CDC Spring Pictures
- 27 CDC Spring Pictures  
5:30 pm Youth Gym Night-Gym  
6:00 pm GSCS PTF Elementary Glow Party
- 28 10:00 am Saturate Mobile
- 30 GSCS Spring Break (3/30-4/3)

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## MEET OUR STAFF

**Dr. Charles E. Brown**

*Senior Pastor*

**Trey Byrns**

*Church Administrator & Assoc. Pastor*

**Brooks Alexander**

*Associate/Education Pastor*

**Aaron Griffin**

*Youth Pastor*

**Charles Feathers**

*Children's Minister*

**Brett Warren**

*Camp Christian Director*

**Daniel Driskell**

*Church Pianist*

**Bryan Townsend**

*School Principal*

**Rebekah Smith**

*Asst. School Principal*

**Deborah Eddie**

*CDC Director*

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

### Sunday

9:00 AM - Bible Study

10:15 AM - Morning Worship

5:00 PM - Evening Service

### Monday

9:30 AM - Waterfront Rescue Mission

3:30 PM - Ladies Bible Study-

Bel Air Apts

5:30 PM - Ladies Bible Study-

Hosp. Rm.

### Wednesday

4:45 PM - Fellowship Supper

5:45 PM - KidZ Open Gym

6:00 PM - Bible Study

6:00 PM - Fastlane (PreK)

6:00 PM - Overpass (1st-5th)

6:00 PM - Generate Student

Min. (6th-12th)

7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

## OFFICE HOURS

### Monday—Friday

8:00 AM—4:30 PM

### Saturday—Sunday

Closed

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