

Macedonian Call

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A NOTE FROM PASTOR RANDY

The theme for this year's Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions is "Whatever it Takes: Reaching the One." The theme is taken from Acts 8:26-31. That passage tells us how Philip faithfully & obediently responded to God's call to go where he was needed to share the gospel. When God instructed Philip to "Arise and go" (v. 26), he "arose and went" (v. 27). Our Southern Baptist missionaries respond to God's call to go wherever He leads. During March we have the privilege of supporting our missionaries who serve Christ in North America. They are men & women from all walks of life who got up & went when God instructed them to get up & go. You may give anytime this month to the Easter Offering. We will also have a special time of giving on March 10th during morning worship. You're also encouraged to pray for our NA Missionaries during March. There are cards located at our Welcome Center highlighting some missionaries & the cities or regions they are sharing the Good News of Jesus. Please take a card for your family & pray for them. Don't forget to pray for our own NA missionaries to New England—Steve & Nellene Carter.
Pastor Randy

SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON THURSDAY, MARCH 7th AT NOON FELLOWSHIP HALL



Youth Trip – Saturday, March 9th – Students will leave the church at 10 am. Cost info. is on the bulletin board outside of Pastor Brendon's office.



Daylight Savings Time Begins on Sunday, Mar. 10th at 2 am.
Don't Forget to Move Your Clocks Ahead 1 Hour!

CARE NIGHT – Wednesday, March 13th
Meal @ 6 pm & Ministry @ 6:30 pm
Fellowship, Outreach, Inreach & Ministry



CHURCH WORKDAYS
Saturday, Mar. 16th at 8:00 am
& Saturday, Mar. 23rd at 8:30 am

In the middle of February an article was posted online by the Secular Student Alliance. SSA is a campus organization for atheistic, agnostic, and other secular students. Think of it as Campus Crusade for Christ for atheists. Several startling statements were made in the article that all Christian parents and young people should be aware of. For the sake of time I'll share a brief part with you. The author, Lyz Liddell, states: "We all know what a world without secularism would look like: lunatic fundamentalist presidential candidates; religiously-based law promoting torture and executions; pain and suffering tolerated because "it's God's will." . . . And politicians and citizens in the U.S. are hell-bent on taking us there. But how can we change it? We need to build a new culture from the ground up, educate our communities, provide a secular voice in local and national government. That's a tall order - where do we even start? **With students.**" The SSA is very clear who they are targeting to promote their atheistic word view: 18-29 year olds. This isn't surprising. My question for parents and young people is: what are you doing to protect your children and yourself? There's only so much that can be achieved inside the walls of Macedonia. If our students aren't receiving proper training at home it'll truly be a miracle if they stand firm in their faith while at college. There are two choices: 1) teach your children Christian apologetics, Christian doctrine, & Christian worldview or 2) allow organizations like the SSA to teach them when they get to college. I'll do everything within my power to ensure they get this teaching while under my leadership at the church, but this must also take place at home.~ Pastor Brendon



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

March 3, 10 & 17 during Morning Worship

Baptist Men's Meeting

Saturday, Mar. 23rd at 7:00 am in Fellowship Hall

EASTER ACTIVITIES & SERVICES

- **Easter Community Outreach**
Weeks of Mar. 18th & 25th (see Gail Gilbert)
- **Easter Egg Hunt Prep**
Friday, Mar. 29th at 6:00 pm
- **Easter Egg Hunt (Pre-K—6th Grade)**
Saturday, Mar. 30th, 10:30 - Noon
- **Easter Sunrise Service**
Sunday, Mar. 31st at 7:00 am – Breakfast following service
- **Easter Morning Worship Service**
Sunday, Mar. 31st at 11:00 am
- **No Evening Service or Activities**
Sunday, Mar. 31st