



The Living Branch Newsletter

Logan Elm Baptist Church



April, 2019

“And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.

But now Christ is risen from the dead, *and* has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.”

1 Corinthians 15:17-20 (NKJV)

With the arrival of spring (on the calendar anyway) and the Easter season we celebrate the new life Christ has provided for us through His victory over the grave. Hallelujah! He is risen! The world makes much over Christmas, (Who doesn't like parties and presents?) but the world scoffs at the idea of anyone rising from the dead. The baby Jesus doesn't really serve as a threat to anyone now (like He did to Herod!), but the One who died for sinners and lives again calls for a choice. As someone has remarked, “He is either Lord of all or not Lord at all!” Church attendance around the world balloons each Easter, but genuine commitment to Christ as Lord is seen the other 51 Sundays (or 364 days) of the year. *All glory to our risen King!*

We will continue to receive the offering for North American Missions toward our \$4800 goal through April 7. This offering helps support more than 5000 missionaries and their families across our continent.

Speaking of special offerings, Kathy Winter expressed her sincere thanks for your copious generosity in donating **\$1,076.38** to the recent Baby Bottle Campaign for ***Elizabeth's Hope Pregnancy Resources!*** Praise our Lord for your faithful commitment on behalf of the little ones who cannot defend themselves.

We continue to pray and prepare for our spring Bible Conference and for those who will speak this year. As we did last year, we will begin the conference on Palm Sunday evening at 5:45. Monday through Friday the services will be preceded by a light meal at 6:00PM, with the services beginning at 6:45. As a part of our appreciation for these speakers, we will receive a love offering during each of the six services and will divide the offering equally among the speakers. The schedule for the week is as follows:

April 14	5:45PM - Mason Good, First Baptist, Waverly, OH
April 15	6:45PM - Billy Marsh, Cedarville University
April 16	6:45PM - Michael McKay, Cedarville University
April 17	6:45PM - Peyton Hill, Highland Baptist, Grove City, OH
April 18	6:45PM - Matthew Bennett, Cedarville University
April 19 (Good Friday)	6:45PM - Tom Kuhlwein

Anticipating a great month at LEBC. *Christ is risen indeed!*
Pastor Dave



- Prayer meeting each Lord's Day at 8:00AM in Room 202 of the multipurpose building -
- Prayer meeting, youth meeting, Bible Club, & Mission Friends, 6:45PM each Wednesday -

Mar. 31	Lord's Supper during the 10:00AM service; Thailand Missions Report
April 2	Elders meeting, 7:00AM; Staff meeting, 9:00AM
April 4	Women's Bible study, 10:00AM (Each Thursday through May)
April 5	Men's Bible study, 7:00AM (meets every Friday morning)
April 14	Palm Sunday, Bible Conference begins, 5:45PM
April 15-19	Spring Bible Conference, Supper, 6:00PM; Service, 6:45PM
April 16	Elders meeting, 7:00AM; Staff meeting, 9:00AM
April 20	Men's Breakfast and <i>Know What You Believe</i> study continues, 7:30AM
April 21	Sunrise service, 7:15AM; Continental breakfast, 8:00AM (No evening service)
April 28	Lord's Supper, 5:45PM
May 9	Ladies' Luncheon at the Country Club at 12:00PM, cost is \$7 per person
May 19	Mother's Day
June 2	Graduate Recognition – Please notify Kim if you have a graduating senior this year
June 9	Father's Day

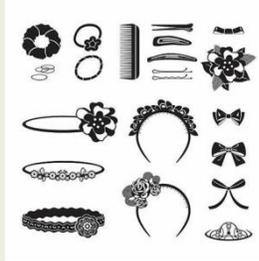
Thank You

To my Church family, I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation for all your expressions of concern and sympathies during this time of Pete's illness and death. The phone calls, cards, flowers, gifts, food, and attendance at the viewing and funeral were so meaningful to me. Thank you, Kitchen Angels, for orchestrating the food and serving of my family and friends after the funeral. I have received numerous comments regarding the display of Christian love and fellowship by this body of Believers. To God be all the glory!

Jeannie McDowell



For the month of April, we will be collecting the following:
T-shirts, socks, combs & brushes, hair items, wash cloths, small toys, coloring books (that will fit in the boxes) and crayons.



Custodian Position Open

We are looking for someone to fill the position of church custodian. This position requires up to 8 hours per week which can be flexible. Read over the job description for a list of duties and responsibilities. Employment Applications are available in the wall pocket outside church office.



Life Way Book Store Closing

The LifeWay Store in Columbus on Georgesville Square Drive will be closing soon. In light of this change, there are a few things we'd like you to know. For decades, LifeWay Christian Stores have been an important channel for us in serving the local church. Like many organizations, we have experienced shifts in the retail market. Specifically, customers have changed their shopping behaviors from brick-and-mortar to online experiences. Due to the impact of changing customer behavior, we have to right-size the store chain while re-allocating efforts and resources to online channels. The good news is we are better prepared to meet the future and serve you and your church in your mission of making disciples. Despite pending closures of some store locations, LifeWay plans to continue to serve the Church for many years to come by continuing to provide books, Bibles, curriculum, VBS, supplies, camps, training, events, research, etc. at LifeWay.com and through our Customer Service Center at 1-800-458-2772.



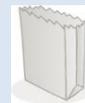
Kentucky Missions Update

We will send our advance mission trip to Harlan, Ky. April 11-13. At present we have five people going to meet with Jay and Kristi Johns for two days of seeing how we can help the Veritas Bible Outreach as they try to build their outreach to the people of that area and especially to the youth. We are hoping to have a long lasting partnership with the Johns family as they endeavor to share the truth of the gospel where they live. As I write this I have learned that Launa, their youngest daughter had an accident at school in which a table fell onto her leg and completely broke the femur into two pieces. She was taken to a hospital in Johnson City, Tn., about 80 miles from their home because the medical services in the Harlan area were unable to deal with this injury. She had successful surgery yesterday, Mar. 19 and will be in the hospital 3 to 5 days. In addition Kristi has been ill and unable to be out. We will ask our fellowship at LEBC to raise a love offering to help reimburse them for gas as they travel about one hundred and eighty miles each day to be with her.

David Atkinson



Stowe mission



We will, once again, be doing the *Bags for Hunger*. The month of May is our Stowe Mission emphasis and at that time you will be able to get a paper grocery bag to fill for the Stowe Center in Columbus. Their goal this year is to collect 5,000 pounds of food.



Our next luncheon will be at the Country Club on May 9, at noon, after the Bible study. You don't have to be a part of the Bible study to attend. This is open to all ladies. Cost is \$7 per person. Bring your mother, mother-in-law, grandma, aunt, special someone. We will be sharing special moments of these women who have touched our lives.

We are giving you a heads up so we can have an approximate count of how many will be there. We are asking that you RSVP to Becky or Kim no later than May 2.

Everyone seems to have an enjoyable time at these luncheons. We look forward to seeing you there!



It's Spring!

Well.....Ohio Spring☺

*March 7, we started our Bible study, "Adorned" by Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth.
.....so that in everything they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior.*

Titus 2:10

We are studying the book of Titus, learning how to live out the beauty of the Gospel together.

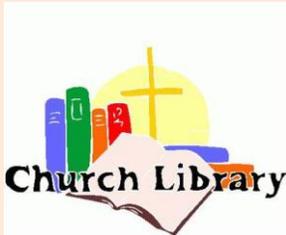
I invite those who can't be with us on Thursdays for our study to be our prayer warriors. We are not walking this faith journey by ourselves. God intends for our lives to intersect, praying for each other, caring for each other, uplifting each other -thus Living out the Beauty of the Gospel Together!

May we model the heart and character of Christ.

In His Service,

Becky, Kim, Denise 2 Cor. 13:14

April 11th & 25th we will be having a sack lunch together after our study. Anyone is welcome to join us.



The Library is open! Thank you for your patience.

We have cleaned things out, reorganized, and are hoping you will come in and check out our Books, DVDs, Devotions, Bible studies, and more!

We have a new system to check out our materials-

- *Take an index card, Print your name at the top.
- *Fill in the name, author, and date
- *Put the index card in the blue file box under your last name.

These instructions are posted on the wall in the library, along with a picture to help you.

We are so blessed to have a library and the many resources that are available to us.

A special thank you to Pam, Kim and Moriah for their help and support.

Enjoy,

Your Library Ladies



Birthdays

Joel Mitchell-April 8
Lore Snyder-April 9
Judy Clark-April 10
Matt Graf-April 12
Bill Gibson-April 14
JoAnn Leatherwood-April 17
Kathy Kanitz-April 18
David Cavanaugh-April 19
Paul DeLong-April 20
Linda Shuttleworth-April 23
Heather Edmonds-April 24
Mary Steinhausser-April 24
Madeline Amspaugh-April 25
Nathaniel Amspaugh-April 25
Betty Smith-April 26
Emma Herron-April 28
Linda Clifton-April 29
Mike Belcher-April 30

Anniversaries

Bob & Laraine Muncy-April 2
Rickie Beth & Scott Hedges- April 6

