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From Our Pastor . . .

I am fascinated with the human memory. It is a fearful and wonderful aspect of our lives. One of the aspects of the memory that I find so fascinating is the fact that moments come back to us at just the right time; a blip on the clock when we are in need of remembering that spot on the calendar from some day long ago. This happened to me recently and I don't know what sparked the memory but of this I am certain, the jarred memory was brought back by the Holy Spirit.

It was a day when Annlyn was somewhere around two years old. She was buckled in her car seat, safe and secure, and was happy as a lark. Then she started singing. To hear Annlyn sing is nothing new these days and it was nothing new then. She has always had a song in her mouth and in her heart. But this particular day, she began to sing a song she'd learned in daycare. And she sang it with boldness and sang it loud.

We heard her young, tender, and childlike voice vocalize a declaration of faith that was as true then as it is now and will be tomorrow. She sang: "My God is so BIG so STRONG and so MIGHTY, there's NOTHING my God cannot do!" I hope you can hear and feel the emphasis she put on those words as she sang them with such force and power. And at the same time, she sang them with such confidence, trust, and reliance.

I have thought about this more than once since then. At times when it seems there is no way around the obstacle before us; at times when it feels as if the place we are in is so desolate and we are so desperate; at times when the darkness feels too strong and heavy for light to break through – when those times come, and they will come, let us be reminded of this declaration of faith that our God is so BIG, so STRONG and so MIGHTY, there's NOTHING our God cannot do!

We hear testimony over and over again throughout the scriptures how there is nothing impossible for God. God can do anything. God, who created light and life, who spoke all into being and order, who raised Jesus from the dead, this God can do anything! When the Hebrews were pressed against the Red Sea and could not see a way out from in front of the pursuing Egyptian army, Moses, full of confidence and trust in the Lord said, "***Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The LORD will fight for you; you only need to be still.***" (Exodus 14:13-14). And that is just what happens.

You see, we need to be reminded over and over again of the power of God. The greatness of God. The glory of God. And to be reminded when we are faced with whatever is before us, that all we need to do is stand firm in the presence of God. Whatever it is, wherever it is, know God is stronger, God is bigger, God is mightier. Our God is able. Stand still and watch God work.

This memory jarred back to the surface of my heart was one I needed to hear. You may need to hear it too. What a wonderful and humbling stance to be still and trust God. It's a call to stand and sing like a child in childlike faith. Thanks be to God....

It is a true joy to be your pastor and your friend...

-Andrew

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Coming Events . . .

Sunday, February 2
12:30 PM
Church Council

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Monday, February 3
2020-2021 Fall Preschool
Registration open to the Public

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Friday, February 14
Happy Valentines Day

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Sunday, February 16
12:30 PM-1:30 PM
Sabbath Soup Kitchen
Fellowship Center

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Wednesday, February 19
5:45 PM
Regular Quarterly
Church Conference

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Sunday, January 26
12:30 PM
Church Council

February 2020 Deacon of the Week

February 2~ Todd Bowman
February 9 ~ Butch Gryder
February 16 ~ Jason Kahrl
February 23 ~ Sandy McAlpin

Sundays at Viewmont

February 9 - 11 am
"Always. Always. ALWAYS!"
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

February 16 - 11 am
Regiani Pereira Preaching

February 23 - 11 am
**"I Guess
You Had To Be There"**

UPCOMING



WORSHIP MUSIC
Praise Team-PT; Choir-CH

Feb. 2	"Bless the Lord"	PT
	"Down to the River to Pray"	CH
Feb. 9	"It Won't Be Long"	PT
	"Draw Me Near"	CH
Feb. 16	"I Can Be Glad"	PT
	"He Keeps Me Singing"	CH
Feb. 23	"We Trust in the Name Of the Lord"	PT
	"Let Jesus Come Into Your Heart"	CH

Music Ministry Opportunities

GROUP	DAY	TIME
Praise Team	Sundays	8:45a
Adult Bells	Mondays	6:00p
Children's Choirs	Weds	5:45p

Sanctity for Human Life



Please consider taking/filling a baby bottle for the Pregnancy Care Center (available in the gathering area).

Place filled bottles by the basket in the church office.
More information/details, contact Wanda Ledford at 828-310-8694.

As You Pray, Remember . . .

The Family of Carol Bowman on the death of her uncle, Merle Allshouse.

The Family of Rex Sigmon on his recent death.

The Family of Linnie Starnes on her recent death.

The Family of Agnes Buff on her recent death.

The Family of Bob Suddreth on his recent death.

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**"There's a Place for You in the Music Ministry At Viewmont Baptist Church"**

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9 Health Benefits of Music

- It's heart healthy.
- It elevates mood.
- It reduces stress.
- It stimulates memories.
- It manages pain.
- It eases pain.
- It relieves symptoms of depression.
- It helps people eat less.
- It increases workout endurance.

CHURCH REPORT FOR DECEMBER:

Budget Approved:	\$ 46,119.00
Budget Offering:	\$ 61,192.00
Designated:	\$ 5,767.00
Total Given:	\$ 66,960.00
Total Budget Expenses:	\$ 50,004.00
Total Designated Expenses:	\$ 3,625.00
Total Expenses:	\$ 53,628.00
Capital Campaign given:	\$530,822.00

CHURCH REPORT FOR 2019:

Budget Approved:	\$553,427.00
Budget Offering:	\$554,996.00
Designated:	\$146,660.00
Total Given:	\$701,656.00
Total Budget Expenses:	\$537,661.00
Total Designated Expenses:	\$155,655.00
Total Expenses:	\$693,317.00



If music is that **GOOD** for you, then why aren't **YOU** involved in the Music Ministry at Viewmont?!!!

Missions Opportunities

Help Support the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina (BCH) brings hope and healing to children and families in crisis. For more than 130 years, the nonprofit has offered caring homes to countless boys and girls who come from circumstances ranging from family dysfunction to situation of abuse, neglect and abandonment. You may place your gift in the offering plate designated to "Missions" or "Baptist Children's Home." To learn more about BCH please visit <https://www.bchblog.org/about>

Viewmont Baptist Preschool Tree of Learning
"Nurturing God's Children with Love and Knowledge"

The staff and our children were honored to be a part of the Sunday service on January 26th for All Children's Day. The children worked hard practicing their songs. Aren't they adorable!

Registration is going well and we have already filled up several class rooms for next year. We have an extensive waiting list to go through next before we open up our program to the public. We are blessed to have so many people wanting to bring their children here to be cared for, educated and loved. Thank you all for the much appreciated support and love.

February 2020

Monthly Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Each Sunday</u> 8:45 a.m. Praise Team, Sanctuary 9:00 a.m. Prayer Time 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p><u>Each Monday</u> 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Second Harvest Food Distribution 6:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><u>Each Tuesday</u> 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Adult Co-Ed Bible Study, Rm. 134</p>		<p><u>Each Wednesday</u> 9:30 a.m. Minister's Meeting 5:00 p.m. Supper Served 5:45 p.m. Children's Music & Missions Wind Ensemble Practice Prayer Time/Adult Bible Study Youth Sanctuary Choir Practice</p> <p><u>Monday - Friday</u> 7:15am-6:00pm Weekday Preschool Ministry 3-6:00 p.m. After School Ministry</p>			<p><u>Each Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat</u> 5:30 p.m. AA, Youth & Activities Building</p>	
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2 12:30 PM Church Council	3 2020-2021 Fall Preschool Registration open to the Public	4 6 PM Property Committee, Conf Rm 107	5 11 AM Full Staff	6 3:30 PM Missions & Evangelism Conf Rm 107	7	8
9	10	11 6 PM Finance Committee, Conf Rm 107 6 PM WOM 3 With Margaret Barham	12	13	14 	15
16 12:30 PM-1:30 PM Sabbath Soup Kitchen, Fellowship Center	17	18 11 AM Volunteers to Hickory Soup Kitchen 6 PM Deacons Rm 230	19 5:45 PM Regular Quarterly Church Conference	20	21	22
23	24 Vision Newsletter Articles Due	25 6 PM Personnel Committee, Conf Rm 107	26	27 6 PM Children's Ministry Committee, Conf Rm 107	28	29

Opportunities for Service

Sunday, February 2

- 8:45 a.m. Praise Team Practice
- *9:00 a.m. Everyone is Invited to Join Us for Prayer Time, Conf Rm 107**
- 9:45 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:20 a.m. Front Entrance Opened
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 12:30 p.m. Church Council, Fellowship Center

Monday, February 3

- 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Second Harvest Food Distribution
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, February 4

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 10:00 a.m. Adult Co-Ed Bible Study, Rm 134
- 6:00 p.m. Property Committee, Conf. Rm. 107

Wednesday, February 5

- 9:30 a.m. Minister's Meeting
- 11:00 a.m. Full Staff
- 5:00 p.m. Supper Served
- 5:45 p.m. Prayer Time/Adult Bible Study
Preschool & Children's Choirs & Missions
Instrumental Ensemble
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Wonderful World of Wednesday
- 6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 6

- 3:30 p.m. Missions & Evangelism, Conf. Rm 107

Friday, February 7

Saturday, February 8

Monday - Friday

- 7:15 a.m.-6p.m. Weekday Preschool Ministry
- 3-6:00 p.m. After School Ministry

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

- 5:30 p.m. AA, Youth & Activities Building

Welcoming:

- 2/2: Nelson, Teresa Fry
- 2/9: Jason, Jennifer Kahrl
- 2/16: Bill, Jeri Barnette
- 2/23: Carroll, Carolyn Garland

Viewer Response

- 2/2, 9: Linda Sloniker, Wanda Byrd
- 2/16, 23: Judy Downs, Ryan McCreary

Ushers for February

- Bruce Buchanan, Joe Mercer, Bruce Ogle,
- Jason Kahrl, Sherwin Speight, Jerry Titus

Broadcast Ministry

Our worship service is broadcast live each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. on:

- WHKY-TV Channel 14
- Alexander CTV Channel 7
- Caldwell CTV Channel 7
- Spectrum TV Channel 7

Also on www.youtube.com
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