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Dear Lakeview Family,

As you know, gifts given to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) are used to train and resource missionaries in church planting and compassion ministries in North America. It is the primary way Southern Baptists fund missions in North America. One hundred percent of gifts given to AAEO go to the field to support more than 6,300 missionaries and chaplains serving across the United States and Canada.

That sounds like a significant number of missionaries and chaplains, but considering the estimate that there are 281 million image bearers without Christ across the U.S. and Canada, the need is great. To make this even more of a challenge, there are an estimated 350 languages spoken in North America.

To remind us all of this vast need, let me take you to a familiar text. Some men bring a paralyzed man to Jesus by making an opening in the roof where Jesus was. "When Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralyzed man, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.'"

Now, we might have expected him to say to the man, "Rise up, be healed." Instead, Jesus said "your sins are forgiven" (Mark 2:3-5).

If I had been the man, I could see myself saying to Jesus, "Uh, thanks, but that's not what I asked for. My legs do not work. I have got a more acute problem here."

As Lord, Jesus knew something the man was increasingly learning — that he had a much deeper issue than his crippled physical legs and Jesus essentially says to him, "I know about your suffering. But understand your bigger problem is not your suffering. It is your sin." In other words, the man needed Jesus as Redeemer even more than he needed Jesus as physical healer.

You know and believe that. That is why Lakeview was a top 25 giving church this past year with regard to the AAEO. I am so thankful for your commitment to North American Missions and the example you are to our young generation regarding where to store up our treasures.

For your information, as I write this, you have given \$26,150. Last year we gave a total of \$102,325.67. I would love for us to exceed that this year. The paralytic's need for forgiveness reflects North America's same need, the need that is only found in the gospel of Christ.

Love and Gratitude,
Pastor Brian

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

APRIL 13

Palm Sunday

9:30 AM | Sunday School

10:45 AM | Worship (Lord's Supper)

6:00 PM | Easter Songs + Hymns

Featuring the Celebration Choir & Orchestra

APRIL 18

Good Friday

6:00 PM | Good Friday Service

APRIL 20

Easter Sunday

6:30 AM | Sunrise Service

with Family Breakfast following in the Fellowship Hall

(Cost for Breakfast is \$5 per person, no more than \$20 per family.)

9:30 AM | Sunday School

10:45 AM | Worship

(No afternoon or evening services)



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EASTER SONGS + HYMNS

THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 13 | 6 PM

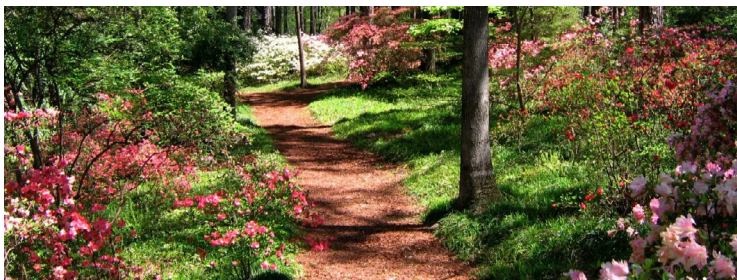
Come join us for an evening of songs and hymns about the Savior. On Sunday, April 13th, at 6 PM, the Lakeview Celebration Choir and Orchestra will be leading us in "Easter Songs and Hymns." You'll hear classic hymns such as "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" and "There Is Power in the Blood" as well as brand new songs such as "Nail-Scarred Hands" and "But for the Cross of Christ." Come join us as we sing, hear, and ponder the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus.



youth NEWS

SENIOR GIRLS RETREAT CALLAWAY GARDENS

The youth ministry will be having a Senior Girls Retreat at Callaway Gardens on April 11–12. We will enjoy time together as we look forward to what the Lord has planned for our senior girls in their next phase of life. If you are a senior girl and interested in joining us, you can sign up by clicking [here](#)!



congregational CARE UPDATE

THURSDAYS AT OLE TIMES COUNTRY BUFFET

Hope to see men of every age Thursday, April 10th, in the Eagle Room at Ole Times Country Buffet from Noon–1 PM. We have a special guest who is in town at the moment. Steve has been a Washington state resident for most of his life. After transferring from the University of Colorado, Steve attended Pacific Lutheran University where he was honored on football All-American teams for three of his four years. He is a member of his college Athletic Hall of Fame and the Tacoma Pierce County Athletic Hall of Fame. Steve has been featured in a number of publications, including Decision Magazine.

As the Executive Director of the Northwest Network Foundation, Steve Ridgway "mentors emerging and existing leaders." He travels extensively and has spoken to groups as large as 60,000, but his greater focus is "the One." Over the course of his life, he has run a political campaign and taught in the public school system. Steve has been the chaplain of a major college football program, traveled in lands ravaged by war and famine, and led a major non-profit as their (interim) President and CEO (formerly, Open Doors USA). Steve is a connector of people, and his greatest passion is seeing people connect to Jesus.

Steve believes that the message of Jesus is an unsafe message full of hope and promise for unsafe places. Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 8th, 2025.

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

Scan the QR code below to donate to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, where 100% of the proceeds go to supporting missionaries on the field.



SUMMER COMMISSIONING

At the end of the evening worship service on April 27th, we will be praying over individuals who will be participating in summer mission trips or working at summer camps. Please email Tammy McDonald at tmcdonald@lakeviewbaptist.org to let us know where you will be serving.

SENIOR SAINTS

Those over 55 are encouraged to attend the Senior Saints for monthly fellowships, activities, day trips, and spiritual growth. Thursday, April 17th, from 11:30–1:00 is a ministry overview by Aaron Wine. Lunch is catered for \$10 per person. If you have questions, contact Jann or Jenny Swaim, Larry or Miranda Webb.

WOMEN'S HOPE & HOPE ADOPTIONS GALA APRIL 10TH, 2025 | 6 PM

Women's Hope & Hope Adoptions is hosting the Living Hope Gala THIS Thursday night, April 10th, at 6 PM. This event is free and will be held at the Hotel at Auburn University & Dixon Conference Center. Scan the QR below to register.



HAPPENING @ LAKEVIEW: SPRING SALAD SUPPER



children's CHATTER

SCRIPTURE MEMORY CEREMONY SUNDAY, APRIL 27

Our annual Scripture Memory Ceremony honoring this year's medalists will be Sunday, April 27th, following the morning worship service in the fellowship hall. Pizza lunch will be provided for all scripture memory medalists and their families.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "WONDER JUNCTION" ON JUNE 16–20 REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Howdy there, partner! Are you ready for a grand ol' time this summer, discovering the wonder of Jesus? If so, grab yer stirrups and lasso and make plans to join us June 16th–20th for Lakeview Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School!

Register online at lakeviewvbs.com. Registration is available online now through June 8th. Children entering grades K5–6th in the 2025–2026 school year are invited to join us! Pre-registration required.

More information about Vacation Bible School can be found on our VBS registration site or by contacting Haley Wine, Children's Ministry Secretary, at 334-887-7094 or hwine@lakeviewbaptist.org.

VOLUNTEER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

If you are available to help with this gospel-saturated, community event, we need you! VBS is June 16th–20th from 8:00–12:00. Childcare/preschool VBS is available for all workers with preschool children. Sign up to volunteer using the QR code below or email hwine@lakeviewbaptist.org if you have any questions.



fellowship MEAL

SERVING MEALS 4:45 UNTIL 5:35 PM; CLEARING TABLES AT 5:45 PM.

APRIL 9

Chicken Fajitas, Flour Tortillas,
Toppings, Black Beans, Salad, Peach Cobbler

APRIL 16

Hamburgers, Baked Beans,
California Veggie Blend, Salad, Peach Cobbler

*Fellowship Meals are open to everyone and cost \$5 per person
with a \$20 cap per family. Cash or Check only. **Menu subject to change.***

FOOD PANTRY – MARCH REPORT

Households fed	107
Total pounds of food distributed	5,393
Average pounds per household	51
Average \$ per household	\$9.49

Our Food Pantry is in need of Kroger pick-up bags for our weekly food distribution. You can leave your bags outside the Food Pantry closet or at the Church Office. We are also seeing an increased number of spanish-speaking families. If you are able to help with this need, would you consider volunteering at our Food Pantry and translating for these families? For more information, contact Brett and Megan Coppenger.



REMEMBER IN prayer

ARBOR LAKE

Nancy Brownfield
Emaleen Fagen
Jennifer Hood
Joe Waller

AZALEA PLACE

Barbara Blankenship

BILL NICHOLS STATE VETERANS HOME

Ira Hayes

CAMELLIA PLACE

Linda Currie

CANTERBURY HEALTH CARE FACILITY

Dean Baker

EASE HOUSE

Anne Dodge
Harriett McNelly
Larry Ryan

THE PHOENIX AT OPELIKA

Dick Lane

AT HOME

Matthew Baker
Daniel Benjamin
Matt Beth
Mike Cannon
Alice Chambliss
Dennis Clark
Ambers Hanson
Rena O'Mary
Jane Parker
Matthew Richardson
Lottie Sides
Jackie Snead
Larry Swango
Ilze West
Joe Youngblood

APRIL 6 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE 1,094

EVENING SERVICE 393

APRIL 6 GIVING

BUDGET \$98,514.70

RESTRICTED \$29,818.00

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LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH IS TO
LOVE THE LORD GOD AND TO EXPRESS THAT LOVE BY
MAKING, NURTURING AND EQUIPPING
DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST
IN AUBURN AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.”



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