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Dear Lakeview Family,

We are now at the beginning of Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) season. It is the time of year to begin praying about what the Lord might have you give to this strategic offering. For those new to Southern Baptist life, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) began in 1895 by the Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) to benefit the work of the Home Mission Board (now called the North American Mission Board). In 1934, the offering was named in honor of Annie Armstrong, who was a strong advocate of missions and WMU's first national executive leader.

Besides praying for and going on missions trips, the AAEO is the primary way we support mission efforts in North America. In fact, the AAEO provides 50% of the North American Missions Board budget. One hundred percent of gifts given to AAEO support more than 3,000 missionaries serving across the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa and help enable hundreds of churches to be planted and thousands of disciples to be made.

To remind us all of the vast need for Jesus in North America, let me refer to a text I am certain is familiar. 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, he 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 is not what I asked for. My legs do not work. I have a more acute problem here."

The 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. Understand your bigger problem is not your suffering, but 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, which is why Lakeview was a top 25 giving church in the SBC last year in regards to the AAEO and a top 5 giving church in the state. 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, up to the time of this letter, you have given \$12,243.50. Last year we gave a total of \$85,139.61. I would love for us to exceed that this year. The paralytic's need for forgiveness reflects North America's same need, but that can only be found in the gospel of Christ. You know that and for that, I am grateful.

Love and Gratitude,
Pastor Brian



college LIFE

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING

Thank you for praying for our team that went to London last week. The Lord really blessed our time and it was great volunteering with Shepherd's Church where Cason and Chandler Sibley serve. Everyone on our team had many opportunities to bear witness to Christ, and we ask you to join us in praying that the Lord will cause the seed of his gospel that was sewn to bear the fruit of repentance and faith. Not only that, but having shared with people literally from all over the world in London, pray that the Lord would impact the nations for his kingdom as those people return home. We are so grateful for your prayers, and if any of you ever want to know more about our trip and what we did, please feel free to ask me. I would be happy to talk.



cliff's notes ON FAMILY MINISTRY

MEN'S BEAST FEAST 2026

Men, mark your calendar for Friday, April 10th, at 6:30 PM for our Beast Feast event. Tickets will go on sale Sunday, March 29th, in the lobby. More details will be forthcoming.

BEAST FEAST

SPANISH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

For the past several years, we have hosted a successful Spanish-speaking Sunday School class, ministering to an average of 20-25 people each week. We currently have an opportunity for someone with Spanish-speaking ability to help support this vital ministry. If you are interested in learning more about what this role looks like, please contact me directly.



the world IN AUBURN

ESL TRAINING | APRIL 24-25

Big news! On April 24th – 25th, we will offer training to teach English as a Second Language. More information to come later, but if you have questions, email Jerry Ferguson at jferguson@lakeviewbaptist.org or Marie Foshee at mfoshee@lakeviewbaptist.org.



jim's JOTS

PARKING LOT INFORMATION

On March 17th, we will make the drive from the office area towards the John Deere location a one-way street. On Sundays, this will help with outgoing traffic flow to the Airport Road Extension. It will also give us room for another lane of parallel parking spaces along that entire route. We thank the Lord for parking problems!

HAPPENING @ LAKEVIEW YOUTH MISSION TRIP TO BOSTON



SENIOR SAINTS MARCH ANNOUNCEMENT

Are you 55 and older? Senior Saints invite you to monthly fellowships, day trips, and lunches. Our next fellowship is THIS Thursday, March 19th, at 11:30 AM in the fellowship hall. Ashley McCrary will share her journey as an ocular melanoma patient, progress in her treatments, and speak on her "Eye on Grace" Foundation. You will not want to miss how God is working through Ashley. Catered lunch is \$10 per person and all lunch proceeds will be donated to the "Eye On Grace" Foundation.



children's CHATTER

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are available to help with this gospel-saturated, community event, we need you! We currently have a significant need for adult volunteers in the following capacities:

- Kindergarten: Music/Missions, Recreation, and Snack/Games leaders.
- 1st Grade: Games leader and decoration helper.
- 2nd Grade: Group leaders and decoration helper.
- 3rd Grade: Music/Missions leader.
- 4th Grade: Additional assistants to provide extra hands.
- 5th Grade: Games leader, group leader, and decorating planner/helper.

Please note that childcare is available for the children of all volunteers. We will begin filling youth volunteer positions at a later date. If you are interested in volunteering, you may sign up [here](#) or have any questions regarding the roles needed, contact Jennifer at jvail@lakeviewbaptist.org.



praise WORTHY

RE/GEN ON-MISSION: ORLANDO | FINAL REGISTRATION AND BALANCE DUE SUNDAY, MARCH 22

The remaining balance for this year's Re/Gen On-Mission Trip to Orlando, FL (May 29th – June 3rd) is \$120 per student and is due this coming Sunday. Please visit the Re/Gen Youth Choir page at www.lbcmusic.org to complete registration (rooming requests, etc.) and for details to complete your payment.

EASTER SONGS + HYMNS | MARCH 29 @ 6 PM

Come join us for an evening of songs and hymns about the Savior. On Sunday, March 29th, at 6 PM, the Lakeview Celebration Choir and Orchestra will be leading us in "Easter Songs + Hymns." You'll hear classic hymns, praise and worship favorites, and new anthems of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. Mark your calendars and bring a friend!



fellowship MEAL

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

MARCH 18

Taco Salad Bar, Black Beans, Chips, Peach Cobbler

MARCH 25

Parmesan Crusted Chicken, Corn, Green Beans, Rolls, Salad, Chocolate Cake

*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.***



sympathy

From the pastor, staff, and church family to:

Brad Bragg and family in the death of his mother.

thank YOU

Lakeview Baptist, thank you very much for the flowers and food for Joe.

— The Youngblood family

REMEMBER IN *prayer*

ARBOR LAKE

Nancy Brownfield
Jennifer Hood
Joe Waller

AZALEA PLACE

Barbara Blankenship
Susan Lazenby

BILL NICHOLS STATE VETERANS HOME

Ira Hayes

CAMELLIA PLACE

Linda Currie

CANTERBURY HEALTH CARE FACILITY

Dean Baker

EASE HOUSE

Anne Dodge

MONARCH ESTATES

Bill Thornton

THE PHOENIX AT OPELIKA

Jerry Clark
Judy Clark
Charles Knause
Jerry Knause

AT HOME

Matthew Baker
Daniel Benjamin
Matt Beth
Dennis Clark
Nelda Kennedy
Jane Parker
Janice Powers
Matthew Richardson
Lottie Sides
Jackie Snead
Larry Swango
Ilze West

MARCH 15 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE _____ 1,135
EVENING SERVICE _____ 624

MARCH 15 GIVING

BUDGET _____ \$92,138.65
RESTRICTED _____ \$17,737.90

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