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PERSPECTIVE IS EVERYTHING

My birthday is coming up, but all year I've been telling people that I'm in my 70s. Julie says, "No, you're not! You're 69!" (She's in the same boat, only four months behind me. And no, I did not rob the cradle. She just looks that way!) But when you're born, you're already in your first year of life. You just don't celebrate it until your first birthday. I always say, "Most of the people I minister to are in their 70s, 80s, and 90s, and now I'm one of them!"

But 70 is just a number. I've said many times, "We're all a bunch of 25-year-olds trapped inside these older bodies!" But I'm so thankful I don't still have that 25-year-old mind!

As we grow in Christ, our thinking should become more like His. Acts 17:28 reminds us that it is in Him that we "live and move and have our being." First Corinthians 2:16 says, "For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ."

Philippians 2:5 says, "Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus." Romans 12:2 reminds us, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

As we grow older and move closer to the day we will be with the One who gave us life, may we strive each day to keep everything in proper perspective.



An old hymn entitled "God Be in My Head" dates back centuries. Make this your prayer today:

God be in my head, and in my thinking.
God be in my eyes, and in my looking.
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking.
Oh, God be in my heart, and in my understanding.

DAN WILLIAMS
Associate Pastor

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Lee Benton	12 Otis McNeill	22 Barbara Johnson
1 Lisa Davis	12 Ervin Whitten	22 Lucretia Brown
2 Janel Smith	13 Harriet Kinder	22 Janet Williams
2 Chuck Joines	14 Sarah Gresham	22 Genie Fogle
3 Brenda Maciaszek	14 Carolyn McDowell	23 Pat Joyner
4 Sue Vermont	14 Elaine Dooley	23 Charwyn Wyndham
4 David Young	14 Susan Drozd	24 H.L. Allen
5 Charlene Shaw	15 Carol Gardy	24 Alfreida Mathias
5 Judy Sweetland	15 Willie Muhammad	25 Jeff Powers
6 Diane Miles	15 Krisy Mills	25 Janet Phillips
6 Sandy Grigsby	18 Ben Compton	26 Lou Hall
7 Tony Phipps	18 Beth Corley	26 Saundra Hartley
8 Bill Dailey	18 Liz Shealy	26 Judy Talmage
8 Don Day	19 Burt Keeney	27 Wayne Ridgeway
8 Cindy Parrish	19 Donna Campbell	27 Eric DuBose
8 Mark Glossick	19 Jeannie Brady	28 Patsy Zint
10 Paul Rawl	20 Andrea Steele	28 Rev. Dan Williams
10 Brenda Boscaglia	20 Mark Mason	28 Joni Klingel
10 Jamie Clark	21 Vienna Teal	29 Jo Lockart
11 Cheryl Deatherage	21 Alecia Bass	29 Lori Ford
12 Gayle Koonce	21 Laura Hoff	29 Becky Woodard
12 Sylvia Willett	21 Kathy Crawford	30 Allene DuBose

Just For Laughs

Little Johnny and his family were having Sunday dinner at his Grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served.

When Little Johnny received his plate, he started eating right away. 'Johnny! Please wait until we say our prayer.' said his mother. 'I don't need to,' the boy replied. 'Of course, you do.' his mother insisted. 'We always say a prayer before eating at our house.'

'That's at our house.' Johnny explained. 'But this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook!'

If you do not wish for your birthday to appear in "The Encourager," please notify the Senior Adult Office at 803.996.8843 or dsmith@lexingtonbaptist.org

Save the Date

Nov 1	Time Change, Fall Back
Nov 1	Church Budget Vote
Nov 5	Cornerstone Lunch
Nov 8	Memorial Service
Nov 11	Midweek - Last Night of Regular Classes
Nov 14	Men's Event - Wing Night
Nov 15	OCC Shoebox Collection
Nov 18	Thanksgiving Dinner
Nov 25-27	LBC Office Closed for Thanksgiving
Dec 3	Senior Adult Christmas Banquet
Dec 13	Experience Christmas, 8:30am 11am 6:30pm
Dec 15	Share the Joy Christmas Program for assisted-living residents
Dec 20	Christmas Sweaters & Sweets during Sunday morning worship
Dec 23-24	Candlelight Services



Operation Christmas Child

As a church, we will receive shoeboxes during the 8:45 and 11am worship services on November 15.

Did you know you can Build a Shoebox online? For a \$25 donation, OCC will pack and send a gift filled with toys and essentials, sharing God's love with a child in need. Scan the QR code or visit lexingtonbaptist.org/OCC to build yours.



Cornerstone

SENIOR ADULT LUNCH & FELLOWSHIP
NOVEMBER 5 AT 11AM
LBC FELLOWSHIP HALL | \$6 PER PERSON

Cornerstone

Join us for our monthly lunch. The cost is \$6, and the menu will include baked chicken, cornbread dressing/gravy, early june peas, sweet potato casserole, rolls, and desserts.



We'll welcome guest singer Mike Sturkey. A native South Carolinian, Mike began singing in the choir at First Baptist Church Columbia. After moving to Nashville, Tennessee, he developed a love for ministering to others through song.

Mike also dedicated 31 years to serving his country in the U.S. Army and SC National Guard. A highly decorated officer, he received numerous honors throughout his distinguished military career. Mike is a graduate of The Citadel and holds a Master of Business Administration degree. He and his wife, Meredith Mack Sturkie, have two daughters, Elizabeth and Mary Austin.

Call Debbie Smith at 803.996.8843 to make your reservation and be entered into a drawing for a door prize!



Thanksgiving Dinner

Our Thanksgiving Dinner is on November 18! We'll offer two seatings at 5 and 6:30pm; both will also include a time of worship and reflection as we take the Lord's Supper.

You can register at lexingtonbaptist.org/dinner.

Senior Adult CHRISTMAS BANQUET

December 3, 6pm
LBC Fellowship Hall

\$15 for Steak Dinner plus
The Gilbert High Strings & Friends

Senior Adult Christmas Banquet

Join us for our Christmas Banquet on Thursday, December 3, at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$15 per person and include a steak dinner and entertainment by the Gilbert High Strings, Woodwinds, and Guitar Ensemble, led by John Rogers.

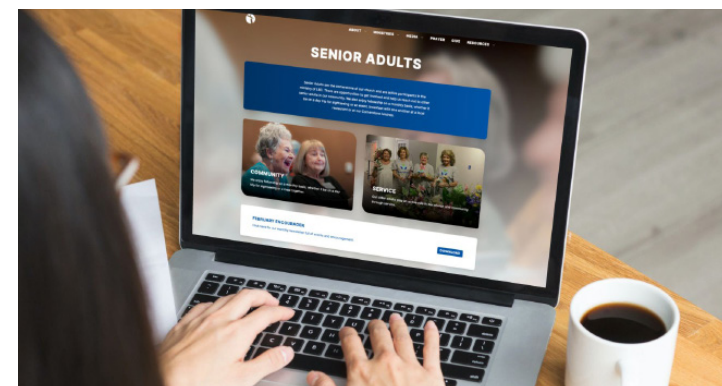
Purchase your ticket through Debbie in the Senior Adult Ministry Office by emailing dsmith@lexingtonbaptist.org or calling 803.996.8843.

MAN MORNING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13 | 6:30 - 7:15AM
\$3 FOR BREAKFAST

Man Morning

Join us Friday, November 13, at 6:30 am for Man Morning, our monthly breakfast and Bible teaching. Breakfast is just \$3, and we'll finish by 7:15 am. Start your morning with good food, fellowship, and encouragement from God's Word.



Did You Know?

A version of The Encourager is available each month on our website at lexingtonbaptist.org. Select Ministries and then select Senior Adults.

Memorial Service

November 8, 4pm | LBC Chapel

Memorial Service

For many families, this holiday season will look different without a loved one. We invite you to join us for a special Memorial Service on November 8 at 4pm as we honor and remember those we've lost.

During the service, we will display photos of LBC members who have passed away in the last twelve months. You are also welcome to bring a framed photo of someone special, whether or not they were a member of LBC. Together, we'll light candles in memory of our loved ones and celebrate the impact they made on our lives.



Wing Night

Join us for an evening of great food, fellowship, and encouragement on Saturday, November 14, from 6-8pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Enjoy wings, connect with other men, test your knowledge in a fun trivia competition, and hear an unforgettable testimony from missionary pilot Jim Streit. Jim will share how God sustained him through a plane hijacking in Africa and how the power of Jesus' name transformed a seemingly hopeless situation. You'll leave challenged to trust God's faithfulness and courageously follow Him, no matter the circumstances.

The cost is \$10, and registration is available on our website at lexingtonbaptist.org/men.