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FORGIVENESS THROUGH JESUS

Last month I had the opportunity to preach at Manning Correctional Institution for over 50 inmates. The joyful and enthusiastic singing of praise songs by the prison praise team is always a blessing. But then I brought a message on being an overcomer. I outlined 3 areas we all must overcome if we desire to be a part of the Kingdom of God.

1. We must overcome the power of sin in our lives. Breaking God's laws will result in bondage to sin.
 - You Must Break Strongholds in your life—areas where you are most vulnerable to sin.
 - You Must Not Give In to Temptation
 - You Must Live a Disciplined Life in the Spirit
2. We must overcome worry and anxiety.
 - Worrying = Not trusting your Heavenly Father to be able to handle your problems.
3. We must overcome the "Termites!" They are small, silent, and slow-working...but they are super destructive.
 - The Termites of Bitterness and unforgiveness
 - The Termites of Wasted time
 - The Termites of Neglecting Daily Prayer and Devotions

Prison ministry is so rewarding because you are offering real answers and hope to people who have been at the bottom of the barrel due to any number of sins that became strongholds in their lives. Jesus is at work in our prisons, and there have been many souls rescued from the brink of eternal destruction who found salvation in Christ after they became inmates. But you don't have to wind up in prison to get to the place where you feel hopelessly trapped in sin and addictions. As the song says. "O come to the altar, the Father's arms are open wide. Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ."



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Associate Pastor

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Charles McKenzie	18 Jeannine Shealy	30 Susan Seay
3 Paula Jacobs	19 Doris Mills	30 Juanita Farmer
3 Larry Boehler	19 Doug Patterson	31 Carol Varnadore
4 Ellen Corley	20 Barbara Husman	31 Harriet Lewis
5 Ray Hudson	20 Jennifer Miller	
5 Mickey Layden	21 Jim Ellis	
7 Gordon Clelland	22 Margaret Benton	
8 Dee Dee Whitehead	23 Dorothy Fowler	
8 Nancy Ellis	25 Beth Rawlins	
8 John Seay	25 Trey Miley	
8 Sandy Pityk	26 Eloise Hiers	
10 Kay Woods	27 Grace Lovette	
12 Sally Thomas	27 Jane Freeman	
13 Mike Edwards	27 Sandra Cheatham	
15 Larry Arnold	28 Gail Sayetta	
16 Dennis McLeod	28 Steve Shupe	
17 Lynda Rawl	29 Jean Gainey	
17 Patty Harris	29 Mark Hathcox	
18 Gene Fowler	30 Suzanne Barden	

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

Just For Laughs

The Innocence of Children

I was driving with my three young children one warm summer evening when a woman in the convertible ahead of us stood up and waved. She was stark naked! As I was reeling from the shock, my 5-year-old shouted from the back seat, 'Mom, that lady isn't wearing a seat belt!'

It was the end of the day when I parked my police van in front of the station. My K-9 partner, Jake, was barking, and I saw a little boy staring in at me. 'Is that a dog you got back there?' he asked. 'It sure is,' I replied. Puzzled, the boy looked at me and then towards the back of the van. Finally he said, 'What'd he do?'

Save the Date

Sept. 2	Midweek Classes Resume
Sept. 3	Cornerstone - M&M Lunch
Sept. 6	Tailgate Sunday
Sept. 11	Man Morning
Sept. 11	Eudora Farms Trip
Sept. 13	Legacy Choir Resumes
Sept. 21	Parents of Prodigals Class Begins
Oct. 1	Cornerstone Lunch
Oct. 9	Man Morning
Oct. 19-23	Pennsylvania Trip
Oct. 24	Oil Change (off-site at Christian Brothers)
Oct. 25	Annual Church Conference, 6pm
Oct. 29	Light Up the Night



Man Morning

Our next Man Morning will be September 11 in the LBC Fellowship Hall. Breakfast is \$3, and we'll wrap up by 7:15am. !



Legacy Choir

The Legacy Choir will begin the 2026-2027 season on Sunday, September 13 at 4:30pm.



Cornerstone - M&M Lunch

The LBC Fellowship Hall is undergoing a complete refresh with new carpet, fresh paint, new window treatments, and new staging. Consequently, our annual M&M ('Maters & Mayonnaise) supper with Bluegrass is going to be next month as the first Cornerstone Luncheon of the season in the brand-new Fellowship Hall on September 3 at 11am!



Eudora Farms Trip

The safari allows the public to view and feed over 200 exotic animals from around the world from the comfort of a covered wagon.

Date: Fri., September 11, depart LBC at 9:45am

Cost: \$10 to Senior Adult Ministry

Transportation: We will carpool. We will ride the wagon through the safari.

Lunch: Will follow at Don Pepe's in Pelion

Registration: Deadline is September 3

New Groups & Studies



Grief Share - Chapel Building, 201

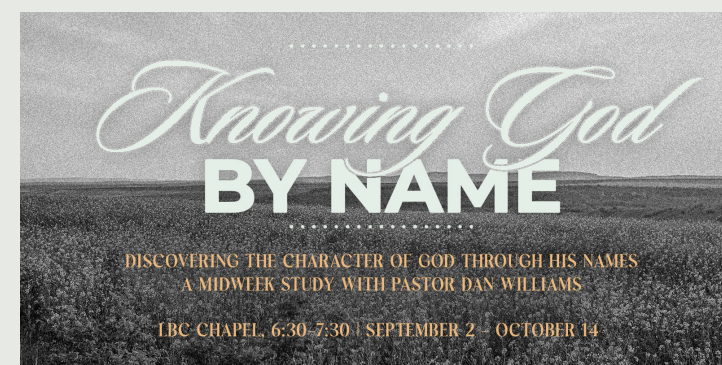
GriefShare is a support group for anyone navigating the loss of a loved one. Through biblical encouragement and practical guidance, you'll find hope and help for the journey ahead. Workbooks are \$10 and provided at your first visit.



Parents of Prodigals

Beginning September 21, we invite you to join us every other Monday from 6:30-7:30pm in the Reception Hall for a Bible study designed specifically for parents of prodigal children.

Led by Judy Sweetland and Dick Mizzell, the group will walk through Restore the Road Home by Jeff and Diana Seaman. We will navigate this season with faith, perseverance, and the assurance that God is always working for our good.



Midweek Study, LBC Chapel

Discover the richness of God's character by exploring the names He reveals throughout Scripture. Join Rev. Dan Williams for this seven-week study as you deepen your understanding of who God is and grow in your trust of His promises.



Call 119, Thursday Morning Study

CALL 119 is a LexWomen Bible study led by JoAnn Rhodes, meeting August 13 through November 12 on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month in Chapel 201 from 11am to 12pm.

Life is full of spiritual "emergencies" as we search for joy, hope, peace, guidance, and other answers for daily living. Through an in-depth study of Psalm 119, participants will learn how God's Word provides wisdom and direction for the challenges we face.

Tailgate Sunday

Come celebrate Tailgate Sunday with a special morning of worship, fellowship, and fun for the whole church family!

Worship will be held at 8:30 and 11am in the Worship Center, with the tailgate celebration taking place on the front lawn at 9:45am. There will be no Sunday School that morning, but childcare will be available for children ages two and under during both worship services.