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See inside for information  
about our Easter Egg Hunt  
coming in April.

Thank you. 😊



**DATE:** Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup>  
**TIME:** 6:30 PM  
**PLACE:** Napoli's Restaurant



**DATE:** Sundays  
**TIME:**  
 Following Children's Sermon  
**PLACE:** Fellowship Hall  
 Ages 7 to 11

**Mission Friends - February**

**March 5<sup>th</sup>:** Mrs. Lisa;  
**Snack:** Mrs. Lisa  
**March 12<sup>th</sup>:** Lisa and Karoline;  
**Snack:** Karoline  
**March 19<sup>th</sup>:** Michelle and Lisa  
**Snack:** Lisa  
**March 26<sup>th</sup>:** Amanda and Lisa  
**Snack:** Amanda



**DATE:** Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>  
**TIME:** 9:00 AM  
**PLACE:** Beth's Restaurant

**Children's Church**

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Michelle & Jenny  
**March 9<sup>th</sup>:** Jana & Malorie  
**March 16<sup>th</sup>:** Jill & Kathy  
**March 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Luisa & Sara  
**March 30<sup>th</sup>:** Lauren & Chris

**Nursery Workers**

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Kathy & Kelsi  
**March 9<sup>th</sup>:** Deanna & Taylor  
**March 16<sup>th</sup>:** Lisa and Alissa  
**March 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Jana and Jill  
**March 30<sup>th</sup>:** Lisa and Kristy




**AWANA Club**

**Sundays at 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM**

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>:** ½ Book Completion Night  
**Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>:** Gear UP  
**March 9<sup>th</sup>:** Gear UP PBC – after club  
**March 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Pajama Night  
**Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>:** Sparks/T&T Games

## March 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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<p>2 Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer Ladies return from retreat  <b>9:30 a.m.</b>                      Sunday School  <b>10:30 a.m.</b>                      Worship  <b>4:30-6:30 p.m.</b>                      AWANA</p>	3	4	<p>5 Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends in FLC, GA, RA, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth  <b>8:00 PM:</b> Choir Practice</p>	<p>6 Men's Dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Napoli's Restaurant</p>	7	8
<p>9 Daylight Savings Time Begins, Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Ingathering  <b>9:30 a.m.</b>                      Sunday School  <b>10:30 a.m.</b>                      Worship                      Special Guest: Rev. Stephen Watkins  <b>11:30 a.m.</b>                      Church Conference  <b>4:30-6:30 p.m.</b>                      Awana</p>	10	<p>11 75 Plus Meeting in the FLC at                      11 a.m.</p>	<p>12 <b>7:00 PM:</b> Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GA in FLC, RA, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth  <b>8:00 PM:</b> Choir Practice</p>	13	14	15

16 <b>April Newsletter Articles due</b> 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 4:30-6:30 p.m. Awana	17	18 Ladies' Prayer Breakfast at Beth's in Page-land 9:00 AM	19 7:00 PM: ***NO Adult Bible Study***, Mission Friends, GA, RA in FLC, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth 8:00 PM: Choir Practice	March 2025, Continued		
				20 Spring Begins 	21	22
23 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 4:30-6:30 p.m. Awana	24	25 Deacons' Meeting 7 p.m.	26 7:00 PM: Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GA, RA, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth in FLC 8:00 PM: Choir Practice	27	28	29
30 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship/ Communion 4:30-6:30 p.m. Awana	31					



We need more volunteers for Children's Church.  
Please contact Ava Strawn if you are willing to help out.  
Thank you.



**Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

**March Blessing Bags**

Men's Deodorant

**Please drop off in the vestibule. Thank you!**



**Save the Date**

**Easter Egg Hunt & Lunch**

**Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

This is year are changing things up a bit and pre-filling Easter baggies with candy to ensure everyone gets the same amount of candy so if you would like to just donate candy and eggs separately that will be great!

**75 Plus March 2025 News Letter**

February has been a good month. We had 27 excited, happy faces for our meeting. Some were back after being unable to meet with us. We thank God for this. Our Weather was not the best, but it seems to draw old people out of the house. We need each other more during dark, dreary cold days. Hold on, our clocks will change soon and we will have more sunlight.

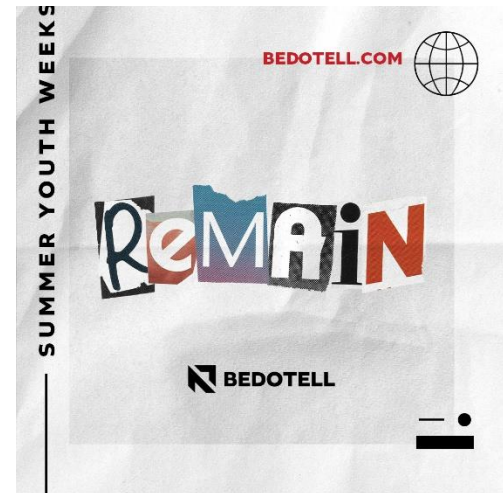
Bob and Ralph served a good meal, and we missed Jerry. Thanks to everyone for your presence and all the good desserts.

Our next meeting is March 11, 2025 at 11am. Have a great month.

Bonnie Oster

**March**

	<b>Day</b>
Zack Porter	March 01
Melba Zimmerman	March 03
Kyle Beard	March 07
Tyler Chewning	March 07
Makayla Lowery	March 07
Chase Rushing	March 07
Amy Ashcraft Lineback	March 08
Lauren Hagler	March 09
Evelyn Keziah	March 10
Dana Thomas	March 10
Sydney Tucker	March 10
Justin Gainey	March 11
A. J. Query	March 11
Lillian Guffey	March 12
Kelli Bang	March 13
Levi Rorie	March 13
Brandi Mabe	March 14
Chad Cave	March 15
Marquavius McGriff	March 16
Deborah Sullivan	March 19
James Taylor	March 19
Bobby Mills	March 20
Kim Newland	March 20
Tonya Helms	March 23
Garrett Mills	March 23
David Ross	March 26
Daxton Nelson	March 27
Ryan Porter	March 27
Kim Outen	March 29
Sayler Speight	March 30
Malorie Autry	March 31
Bryson Lowery	March 31
Damon Price	March 31

**Fort Caswell****Youth Trip:** July 7 – 11**Theme:** REMAIN**Speaker:**

Curtis Andrusko

**Cost:** \$150

See Jenks for details.

**April 1<sup>st</sup> Week:**

<b>April</b>	<b>Day</b>
Jerri Pittman	April 02
Raelyn Tucker	April 02
Kasey Medlin	April 03
Darren Guffey	April 04
Daniel Guffey	April 04
Ray Rickard	April 07
Michael Thomas	April 07





# AMAZING ILLUMINATION

God grants us knowledge and understanding through his holy Word, which is like a flashlight.

*Directions: Arrange the words from Psalm 119:105 (NIV) in order. Then unscramble the circled letters to complete James 1:5 (NIV).*

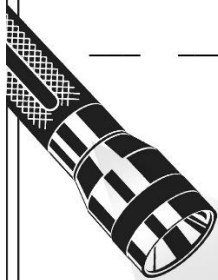
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Psalm 119:105, NIV



If any of you lacks \_\_\_\_\_, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. *James 1:5, NIV*



Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

Looking through my files, I found an article that I wanted to share with you. It is written by Roy E. Savage, Jr., and is entitled, “*Now, Hear the Parable of the Toothbrush.*”

“My wife recently bought me a new toothbrush. I emphasize that she bought it for me. I was perfectly content with my old one...More importantly, my old brush was something like an old friend. It had served me well. It has adapted itself to my personal uniqueness. It was worn in all the right places...

About the third day, I decided to give the new brush a try. It was one of those long, curved-handled, fancy ones. I was not surprised that it was awkward in my hand and definitely abrasive to my gums. I had tried it. It did not work, so I went back to my old friend.

But something of an internal struggle had developed. I definitely preferred my old brush. But, at a deeper level, I knew it was not getting the job done. It was comfortable but not effective. I knew I had not given the new brush a real chance. So, with many reservations, I resolved to use the new brush over a long-enough period of time to make an authentic decision.

In spite of its awkwardness and abrasiveness, I could detect an almost immediate difference in effectiveness. My teeth definitely felt cleaner, and I assumed that indicated that they indeed were cleaner. The handle, within a surprisingly short period, fit right into my hand. Its length and shape made it much easier to get into all of those hard-to-reach places.

After a week of using the new brush, you never could have convinced me to go back to my old brush. The change, though it had its painful moments, had proved beneficial to all...

Significant change rarely, if ever, comes easily or automatically. Someone usually must have the insight to see the need and present the options for change. Such options initially tend to appear awkward, even abrasive...

A postscript to my toothbrush parable seems appropriate. The event described herein actually took place several months ago. Guess what? That new toothbrush is becoming increasingly comfortable and ineffective. A change definitely is needed soon.

So, the saga of change continues. Today’s awkward creation becomes tomorrow’s worn tradition. The only alternative to change indeed seems to be death (That goes for churches too).”

May our Father bless you today. It is a joy to serve our Lord with you. RCA