Treasurers Report February, 2023

| Contributions from Churches | 23,626.96 |
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| Other | |
| Total | 23,628.48 |
| Spent in February | 21,657.53 |

Contributions from Church's (Note: Some give quarterly)

| Jan-Feb Jan-Feb 23 22 |
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| Agape 1,572.00 0.00 |
| Arial 267.00 438.00 |
| Brushy Creek 2,400.00 2,000.00 |
| Calumet 289.00 481.00 |
| Calvary Hill 0.00 2,039.17 |
| Cannon Memorial 208.34 208.33 |
| Cateechee 991.00 1,150.00 |
| Cedar Rock 557.00 536.56 |
| Central First 462.53 1,165.70 |
| Connection Fellowship 116.70 116.70 |
| Corinth 0.00 300.00 |
| Crosswell 0.00 0.00 |
| Easley First 4,250.00 716.67 |
| East Clemson 221.91 447.67 |
| East Side 750.00 1,125.00 |
| Elljean 122.49 397.50 |
| Enon 302.27 188.35 |
| Esperanza 0.00 0.00 |
| Faith 100.00 50.00 |
| Flat Rock 568.00 773.96 |
| Geer Memorial 530.61 1,045.44 |
| Georges Creek 614.86 471.64 |
| Glenwood 200.00 425.00 |
| Graceway 0.00 0.00 |
| Hunt's Memorial 300.00 600.00 |
| Jones Avenue 500.00 664.58 |
| Liberty First 250.00 500.00 |
| Living Grace 0.00 234.79 |
| Mount Moriah 500.00 500.00 |
| Mount Pisgah 2,500.00 2,500.00 |
| Mountain Springs 2,173.05 1,658.99 |
| Mt. Airy 1,600.00 1,600.00 |
| Mt. Carmel 753.54 1,786.44 |
| Mt. Tabor 0.00 0.00 |
| Norris First 1,670.00 1,670.00 |
| Park Street 0.00 0.00 |
| Pendleton Street 322.98 150.02 |
| Powdersville First 2,112.71 2,385.58 |
| Refuge 333.32 333.32 |
| Rices Creek 0.00 0.00 |
| Rock Springs 11,213.89 11,037.29 |
| Ruhamah 0.00 0.00 |
| Siloam 416.61 1,586.76 |
| Six & Twenty 0.00 0.00 |
| Slabtown 0.00 618.00 |
| Smith Grove 1,000.00 0.00 |
| The Neighborhood 0.00 0.00 |
| Trinity Point 0.00 0.00 |
| Wren <u>177.65</u> <u>153.26</u> |



Consider what it must have been like for the women who went to the tomb on that Easter morning. Perhaps they were in a spiritual fog. After all, they had believed and hoped and trusted that Jesus

was the Messiah but he had died on a cross and was buried in a tomb. What does one do when their FAITH and their perceived reality clash? The women made their way toward the tomb with a lot of questions. What about the soldiers? Who will move the stone so we can properly anoint the body of Jesus? What do we do next? Will we be arrested to? Those were all legitimate questions. Their faith became sight and their questions were answered when they arrived. The soldiers? They had passed out. The stone? It had already been moved. How do we anoint the body? There was not a body because Jesus had been raised! Their whole world changed with what they heard from the angel. "He is not here. He is Risen!" The resurrection of Jesus gives hope, peace, and power today. Thank God the tomb was empty. In the words of the great hymn, "We serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today." And one day, soon, He will return. Easter is not about bunnies, colored eggs, or new clothes. It is about a risen, victorious, and returning Lord.

Robert

In just a few days we will celebrate the Lord's resurrection on Easter. Growing up around the farm, we always planted our garden on Good Friday. I remember my grandfather telling me about his thoughts on planting on Good Friday (aside from the old Farmers Almanac). He and I

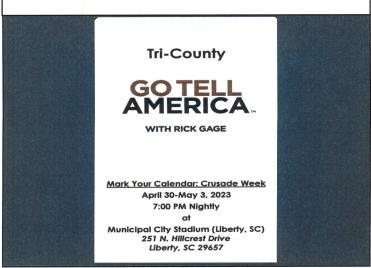


had some heirloom peas that we would let dry in the field, then pick them to use as seeds the next year. As we were planting them on Good Friday, he said, "Son, the reason I plant on Good Friday is because it's the day Jesus died, and they put Him in the ground. Three days later he came back to life, and He will do the same for these peas. We are going to put these old, dead peas in the ground, and in just a few days they will come back to life. So, every time you see a pea patch, you remember what Jesus did for you when He died and came back to life."

Although I won't plant any peas this Good Friday, I am going to remember the sacrifice my Lord made for my sin and praise him that he took an old dead pea like me and gave me a new life in Christ!

Happy Easter!

Chris Jordan





2 Stuart Houston, Family Life Minister, Rock Springs

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| 15 | Jonathan Going, Minister to Families, Brushy Creek |
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| 17 | Keith Shorter, Pastor, Mt. Airy |
| 18 | Kim Turner, wife of Pastor, Enon Baptist |
| 20 | Jennifer Harrison, wife of Pastor, Siloam |
| 20 | Alex Chapman, Pastor, Georges Creek |
| 21 | Don Gibson, Minister of Music, Rock Springs |
| 23 | Chad Hall, Minister of Music, Trinity Point |
| 24 | Benjamin Smoak, Pastor, Mountain Springs |
| 28 | Evelyn Garmon, wife of Pastor, Cedar Rock |

Wedding Anniversaries:

10 Justin Medlin, Pastor, Arial

Birthdays:

- 11 Mike & Gail Dobson, Pastor, Cateechee
- 21 Phil & Pamela McAlister, Pastor, Geer Memorial
- 25 Josh & Ashton Gibson, Minister of Youth, Rock Springs
- 30 Robert & Diane Fowler, Pastor, Glenwood
- 30 Brian & Emily Parker, Pastor, Trinity Point

Staff Anniversaries:

- 2008 Rick Baldwin, Pastor, Smith Grove
- 2012 David Bagwell, Pastor, The Neighborhood
- 2018 Austin McKnight, Pastor, Central First
- 2021 Jonathan Going, Minister to Families, Brushy Creek
- Pastor/Staff Luncheon on Tuesday, April 11 at 11:30am at Silver Bay.
- ♦ Ministry Assistant Luncheon on Tuesday, April 11 at 12:00pm at the PBA. We will be doing a craft (\$10) this month, so please let me know if you are attending and if you are participating in the craft by April 5. karen@piedmontbaptist.com or 864-859-9906.
- WMU Spring meeting on Thursday, April 13 at 6:00pm at Flat Rock Baptist Church.
- Rice's Creek is searching for a reliable 15 passenger van. If you have one for sale or know someone who does, please email the church: ricescreekbaptist@gmail.com or call 864-843-9421

| | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | Unit Training is open on the PBA website Remember: This training is required yearly | | | 1 |
| | PALM ² SUNDAY | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | GOOD FRIDAY | 8 |
| | KISEN! | PBA Office Closed in observance of Easter | Pastor/Staff 11 Luncheon@11:30am Silver Bay Ministry Assistant meeting @ noon at PBA office | 12 | WMU 13 Spring Meeting Flat Rock Baptist at 6:00pm | 14 | 15 |
| | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 7 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| r O | Go Tell 30 America Crusade 7:00pm Municipal City Stadium (Liberty) | | | | | | |