



Liberty Link

MARCH 2018

YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING

6 p.m. Monday, March 5

Everyone willing to help with the church youth is invited to attend. We will discuss monthly youth events, LCC Sports Camp, VBS, and more.

Sunday, March 11

Move clock ahead 1 hour



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

MARCH 29TH
7:00PM



FUN IN THE KITCHEN

Youth baking event for middle and high school students
6 to 8 p.m.
Friday, March 9
in the FEC kitchen



BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Ethan Raley
- 2 Larry Judd, Paul Sighting
- 3 Adler Conder, Gwendolyn Foley, Sophia Foley, Matthew Kohr, Lori Williams
- 4 Mark Anderson
- 7 Ethan Hopkins
- 9 Sandra Kintzel
- 14 Mandy Miles, Reece Walters, Ryder Walters
- 15 Jana Gray
- 16 Jim Tannehill, Annie Washington
- 18 Michelle Bales, Jason Maxwell
- 19 Katheryn Brock, Cole Brooking
- 20 Cathy Scott, Mark Paul
- 21 Julie Kirk, Meghan Maxwell, Mike Maxwell, Marie Wells
- 22 Victoria Brooking, Ron Crowe
- 23 Dolores Garau
- 24 Gary Fishel, April French
- 25 Matthew Phillips, Randy Wells
- 26 Ruth Fishel, Allyson Hankins, Kerri Smith, Mark Wells
- 27 Sam Maxwell
- 29 Chris Goodnight

IN THE RING WITH ROCKY

"As I write this article, I am in BEAUTIFUL East Tennessee and can see not only the smoke on the mountains but also the French Broad River that flows through Johnson University, which I have known so well as Johnson Bible College!

When Sandy and I arrived on this campus in the late summer of 1980, it looked a great deal different than when I arrived yesterday afternoon to participate in what is best known to me as Johnson Homecoming and Preaching Rally. I love this place, as it holds many fond memories in my heart.

The campus was less developed when we arrived back in 1980 than it is now. It was beautiful then, and, I must admit, it is more beautiful and more useful to the students who are here now. When the name was changed a few years back I was, to say the least, unsupportive. Why? Because I wanted what I had known

instead of what it needed to become. Many students have come and gone since I spent hour after hour sitting at the feet of some great educators, who likewise are gone. However, the place is full of many more dedicated students and professors who are excited about carrying on the work for years to come, unless God sends Jesus to take us home. There is excitement in this place, or should I say more excitement than I remember.

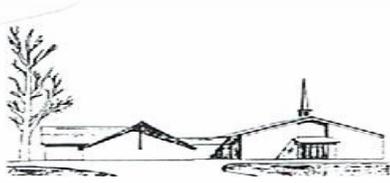
In just a little while I will gather with many for worship singing songs I have not yet learned and hearing music that is much different than I grew up with and know. However, the excitement of hundreds of people of all ages singing and praising God pleases my soul. What a joy it will be!

OK, preacher, what is your point in all of this? I think you already know. Even though

See **ROCKY**, back of calendar page

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Lee & Katie Diamond
- 8 Dirk & Lisa Ackerman
- 19 Ryan & Heather Thomas
- 21 Rick & Debbie Crafton
- 24 Doug & Tammy Kirk
- 25 Paul & Geneva Walters
- 26 Dennis & Leslie Walters



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OFFICE HOURS

9 to 11 a.m. Monday through Friday

SUNDAYS AT LIBERTY

9 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Classes

PASTOR Rocky Baire

SECRETARY Jaime Heacock

ELDERS Larry Dodds, Merrill Maxwell,
Randy Thatcher

DEACONS Dirk Ackerman, Del Chafey,
Andrew Conder, Chad Eastman, Tim Foley,
Mike Hankins, Michael Hedrick,
Bryan Neitzel, Ryan Thatcher

Address Service Requested

FUN in THE WORD

OT Key Events

1. **The Creation** On what day did God create man?
2. **The Flood** How many humans were kept safe on the ark?
3. **Joseph** True or False: The Ishmaelites took Joseph to Israel.
4. **Plagues and Passover** What was the first plague?
5. **King David** How old was David when he became king of Israel and Judah?
6. **Elijah** Who opposed Elijah on Mount Carmel?
7. **Hosea** What was the name of Hosea's wife?

February Fun in the Word answers

- 1) King David; 2) Samson; 3) Priscilla & Aquila; 4) Esau then Jacob; 5) False; 6) Joseph & Benjamin; 7) Michal

STATS AND SERVERS

SUNDAY STATS

January 28, 2018
Attendance: 127
Offering: \$4,529.29
Building Fund: \$520.00

January average: 129

February 4, 2018
Attendance: 135
Offering: \$3,486.00
Building Fund: \$545.00

February 11, 2018
Weather cancellation

February 18, 2018
Attendance: 121
Offering: \$6,053.00
Building Fund: \$307.00

February 25, 2018
Attendance: 121
Offering: \$4,903.02
Building Fund: \$391.05

February average: 122

SERVERS

Communion
Denny Maxwell (C),
Gary Fishel, Randy
Kirk, Rusty Kirk,
Patrick Maxwell,
Jesse Miles, Mark
Paul, Willie Pinkston;
Alternates None

Greeters
Rick & Cathy Chaplin
Wayne & Janice Gray

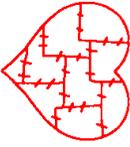
Children's Church
4 TBD
11 Tim & Jennifer
Paul
18 Michelle Bales

Wee Worship
Kelli Conder

Worship Nursery
4 Wanda Dilley, Pam
Maxwell 11 David &
Amy Hopkins 18 Dirk
& Lisa Ackerman
25 Chad & Kerri
Smith

**Sunday School
Nursery**
TBD as needed

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
4 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Classes 11:15 a.m. Adult Choir	5 4 p.m. Footsteps in Faith (FEC) 6 p.m. Youth Ministry mtg (FEC)					
11 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Classes 11:15 a.m. Adult Choir <i>Daylight Savings begins</i>	12 4 p.m. Footsteps in Faith (FEC)					
18 9 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Bake Sale (FEC) 10:30 a.m. Classes 11:15 a.m. Adult Choir	19 4 p.m. Footsteps in Faith (FEC)	20 7 p.m. Patches of Love (FEC) 				
25 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Classes 11:15 a.m. Adult Choir Palm Sunday	26	27	28	29 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday service	30 Good Friday	31
JAIME OUT OF OFFICE						
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ROCKY, from front page

I was hesitant of the changes at Johnson Bible College — NO, Johnson University — I am glad to see that they have taken place. I was told last evening at a dinner that more students have studied at this place in the last 15 years than in all of her past! That is exciting! Many more servants to the Kingdom going forth with some basic tools set in place to spread the gospel in many places throughout the world. How can I not be excited about that as a Christian and a preacher of that same gospel?!

This world is constantly changing. The gospel is the same, but the methods we need to use are much different than they were when I was a student preacher at Liberty Christian Church in Maryville, Tennessee. I like how much easier it is to accomplish ministry than it was then. I pray that all of us will consider these things. I am (we are) getting older. May we be willing to embrace some new methods which will bless younger families to walk with Jesus as those before us were willing to do. I love what I have experienced, but am looking forward with anticipation to what the Lord will do as He ‘opens doors that no man can shut, and closes doors that no man can open.’ (Revelation 3:7)”

I shared the above article with you a year ago. I do not share it so that I can forgo writing a new one for this year. I share it with you because it is imperative that we understand and apply the truths herein. I love Liberty Christian Church, and I know that many of you who take the time to read this article love her as well. Many have come and gone through her doors. There are some that have remained through all the ups and downs for decades. A few have remained faithful until the Lord called them home. All of us reading this love Liberty for various reasons, and want to see her minister faithfully for generations to come.

I am anticipating once again going to Johnson University Homecoming and Preaching Rally. I look forward to once again setting my eyes upon the beauty of the Lord’s creation and what He has led men and women to build upon that land. But even more than that, I look forward to seeing the excitement of the many, many young students excited about the day they will be able to make a Kingdom impact somewhere! I am looking forward to seeing the new construction that has been completed since last year and the construction that should be finished soon: State of the art facilities to teach our young people how to plan and lead today’s church in worship as well as an activities and sports complex that many secular universities would love to have. I will once again participate in seeing these young people worshipping our Lord and honoring Him in all they do. I will also enjoy the preaching of the Word of God. This has never changed!

I have often read the following that was placed at the front of the Old Main Chapel many years ago: *“Open day and night to the poor young man who desires, above every other desire, to preach the Gospel of Christ.”* —Ashley S. Johnson, founder

From the school’s website I found these words: “Upon this principle the School of Evangelists was founded in 1893. Later, it was renamed Johnson Bible College, and today it rests with its present title, Johnson University. Johnson University continues to educate and graduate faithful servants who preach the Gospel not only in words, but in actions. Graduates of Johnson University serve around the world as preachers, youth ministers, missionaries, college presidents and professors, nonprofit directors, doctors, lawyers, statesmen, school teachers, and business executives... each with a shared goal of serving Christ and serving others.”

Because of the faithfulness of many brothers and sisters, this year the school celebrates 125 years of changing individual lives and making a KINGDOM impact throughout the world!

I hope that is what each of us want here at Liberty – that she will be changing lives for the Kingdom for generations to come, as she has so faithfully done in the past.

One more thought before I wrap this up. While I am at Johnson, I enjoy sitting around and talking with the “older-than-me-timers” as they share with me many interesting stories of the way it was at Johnson when they arrived and the changes they have seen through the years. These stories delight my soul. I enjoy just as much, sitting with the “much-younger-than-me” kids and listening to the stories they have of hope and what they want to accomplish for the Kingdom.

I love doing the same here at Liberty — learning from the past and looking forward to the future.

I know that God’s church will continue until He comes again. I know, because He tells me so in His Word. I have hope in the Lord as He instills in each generation the joy of serving and worshipping Him! Each generation is a little different than the one before it. Each previous generation has its doubts about the changes that come. Yet each successful church embraces change for the saving of lives.

I hope to see you in
worship at Liberty this
Lord’s Day!

I love you all,
Pastor Rocky



Rocky Baire