

## Breaking Down Walls – Priceless!

Jamie and Max recently travelled to San Angelo, Texas to see her 93 year-old grandfather, Papa (pronounced Paw Paw). This was the first time for him and Max to meet. Those of you who know our three-year-old son know how energetic and exciting this visit was. For obvious reasons, it was important that Jamie and Max go see Papa, and the trip did not disappoint. Max was 100% Max, and Papa loved every minute of it.

Do you remember the old MasterCard “Priceless” commercials? They would total up the expenses for a certain trip or event, maybe it was travel to see your favorite team play in a championship game or putting forth the funds and energy to take that dream vacation. In the case of Jamie and Max’s trip to Texas, I can hear the MasterCard narration:

Two tickets to San Angelo – More than anyone wants to pay; Energy required to wrangle a three-year-old on a airplane – Endless; Nerves once you finally arrive at your destination – Frayed; Watching your grandfather meet his great-grandson for the first time – Priceless.

Walls were broken down on that trip. It is not that Jamie or her grandfather put up walls between he and Max; it was just that they had never met. They didn’t know each other. They now have seen the other, hugged the other, laughed with each other. Priceless.

During our Wednesday evening Taizé services in Lent, we have spent time passing out pictures or names of church members and asked you to pray for those individuals or families during the next week. We have done this in hopes of breaking down walls in our community at Greystone.

We don’t intentionally construct these walls anymore than the now broken down wall between Papa and Max. These walls just happen because we don’t know each other. Prayer helps break down these walls. Through prayer, faces become people and names become family.

If you haven’t made it to one of our Wednesday Taizé services, I hope you will come. If you can’t then flip through your pictorial directory, pick an individual or family, and pray for them for a week. You might be surprised how walls that were once difficult to see begin to crumble, and how you grow in your realization of how priceless the Greystone family of faith is to you.



## Christmas in March

On Christmas Eve our church took up an offering to help with flood relief in South Carolina. The Missions Team has been working with Baptists in Kingstree, SC to understand how our church can help.

This area was ravaged by rising waters and is one of the poorest counties in SC. We are now ready to put you and the monies we collected to work.

Church members will be leaving early on Friday, March 11 and work until late Sunday afternoon, March 13. We are looking for 8 to 10 men to volunteer. The options for lodging are tight, and unfortunately the church we are working with has only one room for us to use for sleeping making this a men's trip. It is a nice, heated room so bring your cot or air mattress.

Working with South Carolina CBF we will replace a plywood floor, put insulation in the walls, hang sheet rock and replace paneling on some walls in a local family's home. Little experience is required.

Contact Jerry Chiles, [jerrychiles1@gmail.com](mailto:jerrychiles1@gmail.com) or Johnny Glover, [joglover@bsamail.org](mailto:joglover@bsamail.org) for more information.



## Important Dates in March

### Taizé Services in March

Wednesday nights, 6:30 PM  
Sanctuary

### Women’s Day Retreat

March 5, 2016

### “Praying in Color”

A NC Museum of Art day retreat  
for the ladies of Greystone.

### SC Flood Relief

March 11-13, 2016

Kingstree, SC

### Buddy Break

March 12, 2016, 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Fellowship Hall, Youth Bldg.

### Senior Adult Sponsored Trip

March 12, 2016, 9:30 AM

NC Museum of History

### Daylight Savings Begins

March 13, 2016

Turn your clocks

FORWARD 1 HOUR



### Palm Sunday

March 20, 2016

11:00 AM joint service

Sanctuary

### Maundy Thursday

March 24, 2016, 6:30 PM service

Sanctuary

### Easter Sunday

March 27, 2016

8:45 and 11:00 AM services

Sanctuary

### Easter Monday

March 28, 2016

Church office closed

## Easter Flowering Crosses

Please bring fresh flowers to church on Easter morning, March 27th, as we will adorn two flowering crosses stationed at each of the entrances. The flowers may be purchased before you come to worship or brought from your homes. They will be placed on the crosses by you to help symbolize the new life that bursts forth on Easter Sunday.



## March Birthdays



- 1 Jim Griesedieck, David Grimes
- 2 Mary Baldrige, Bobby Hunter, Dorwin Lanham, Dirk Evans, Dan Nichols
- 3 Steve Holden, Kyle Gellatly, Eliza King
- 4 Mavis Strickland, Brent Walker, Sean Austin
- 5 Tom Ditt, Becky Sansbury, Michael Overby, Cindy Evans
- 6 Joan Marion
- 7 Nancy Tisinger, John Acree, Jennifer Pickles, Drew Hunt
- 8 David Maxey, Sue Tickle, Jeff Schmidt, Julia Sandling, Ashlyn Top, Damien Moore
- 9 Katie Lindsey, James Tatum
- 10 Ali Sherron
- 11 Ellen Steiner, Mike Eller
- 12 Pauline Noble
- 13 Joyce Beauchaine
- 14 David Wilson
- 15 Kraig Mueller
- 16 Van Black, Ashley Stewart
- 17 Jim Burris, Stephanie Penny
- 18 Regena Peebles, Lou Dawson, Brian Perkinson, Graham Fogwell, Megan Dillinger
- 19 Betty Cornwell, April Alston, Katie Eller, Scott Gardner, Anna Croom
- 20 Rick Kline
- 21 Libby Mays, Jesse Bensen, Benjamin Wilder
- 22 Kathy Schmidt, Caitlin Pardue
- 24 Henry Settle, Justin Perry
- 25 Jeanne Parker, Dan Thorpe, Janet Kruer, Deanna Choplin
- 26 Annie Ostendorff
- 27 Chandler Hollingsworth
- 28 Bryan Martin, Lauren LeNoir, Ryan Franz, Caroline Morton
- 30 Craig Swaim, Kyle Dilday, Eric Hart, Cathy Perkinson, Laura Byrd, Kim Kleinhans, Jackson Top
- 31 Gloria Greene, Amy Ng



### March 90+ years Birthday

Mar. 12 .....Pauline Noble

### March 50+ years Anniversary

Mar. 3 .....Mel and Alice Dickens

## Growing Greystone Through Prayer



### Praise

- Price Charles Ogden, born 1/29/16 to parents Baxter and Sarah Ogden and big sister Addison, grandparents Mike and Patti Ogden, great grandparent Martha Castleberry.

### Concerns

- Lee Ann Spahr, upcoming surgery
- Joyce Beauchaine, health concerns
- Priscilla Crumpler, recent surgery
- Carla LeNoir's mother, Coreda Shaw, health concerns
- Tim Hendrix's father, Edward Hendrix, health concerns
- Genice Nix's uncle, Doug Wingate on the recent deaths of his wife and son
- Geraldine Mangum, recent surgery
- Elizabeth Santana's cousin, Allison Thomas, health concerns
- Sue Blow, health concerns
- Cindy Vestal, health concerns
- Ginny Liverance's sisters, Linda and Pricilla and friend, Greg Thomas, health concerns
- Sue Blow's mother, Martha Johnson and sister, Marsha Patterson, health concerns
- Roger Gardner, health concerns
- Amanda Thompson, daughter-in-law of Dottie Thompson, health concerns

### Residential / Health Care Facilities

**Cypress (Rosewood):** John Lawrence  
**Rex Nursing Care:** Louise Abernathy, Nancy Godwin  
**Springmoor (SHC):** Vergie Baxley, Mary Evelyn Divers, Martha Eames, Mildred Garrett, Sallie Greene, Albert Meiburg, Pauline Noble, Juanita Register, Grace Smith

### Sympathy

- Teri Bellairs Wood's family on the death of her mother, Shellie Bellairs, 2/4/16

**On call Minister:** 919-817-8975

Come join the day trip to the N.C. Museum of History to see the exhibit "Billy Graham and His Remarkable Journey of Faith" on Saturday, March 12, 2016, departing 9:30 AM. This is a great opportunity if you cannot make the trip to his library in Charlotte; it has come to us! Admission is free. We will go to lunch at Café Luna. Sign-up on the sheet on the Lost and Found table. Call Louise Estes for more information, 919-847-1820.



## Growing Greystone Through Stewardship (through 1/31/16)



2016 General Fund..... \$989,817.00  
 YTD General Fund needed ..... \$82,484.75  
 YTD Operating Receipts..... \$73,115.47  
 YTD Operating Expenses..... \$61,890.38

### Growing Greystone Through Worship

#### February 7

8:45 Worship..... 96  
 11:00 Worship..... 231

#### February 14

8:45 Worship..... 94  
 11:00 Worship..... 185

#### February 21

8:45 Worship..... 90  
 11:00 Worship..... 219

#### February 28

8:45 Worship..... 83  
 11:00 Worship..... 217

### Welcome to Our New Members



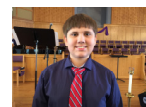
Sydney Lannom  
 Joined 2/14/16



Jenny Anderson  
 Joined 2/21/16  
 children Lottie (shown), Everette



Sarah Wheeler  
 Joined 2/21/16



Drew Hunt  
 Joined 2/28/16

### Wyatt Ministry to Internationals

The Wyatt's have written a beautiful letter to Greystone thanking us for the financial gift we gave to invest in their ministry. The letter is posted on the bulletin board outside the office. Please stop by and read the words of their inspired and grateful hearts.

The Missions Team



### North Raleigh Ministries Rescheduled

Our Wednesday Night trip to North Raleigh Ministries has been rescheduled for Wednesday, March 9. The schedule will be the same - students are invited to meet at North Raleigh Ministries anytime between 5-7 PM to volunteer. At 7 PM, we will move next door to Salsa Fresh to eat dinner together. Please bring money to eat dinner and plan to be picked up at 7:30 PM from Salsa Fresh.

### Sign up to be a worship leader

We continue to welcome volunteers to help with leading our worship services. Please indicate your interest by signing up with the church office by email at [office@greystonechurch.org](mailto:office@greystonechurch.org).

### Summer Mission Trip

Join us for another week of mission work with the Nicholtown community in Greenville, SC. We will depart on Saturday afternoon, June 25 and return to Raleigh on Friday, July 1. We will worship with the Nicholtown community on Sunday before serving alongside the community from Monday through Thursday. More information, cost and permission forms, to come.

### Unidiversity Youth Camp

Unidiversity youth camp will take place July 18-23 at the University of Tennessee. This year's theme will be "Refocus" as we reflect on how Jesus calls us to turn from the ways of the world and towards a life of discipleship. Please plan to join us for a fantastic week of worship, Bible study, and recreation with 400 other students. More information, including cost and permission forms, to come.

### Youth and College Are You Receiving Text Blasts?

Be sure to link your phone to receive Greystone text blasts. Follow these steps:  
Youth: text @youth20 to (919) 336-5052.  
College: To receive text blasts regarding college ministry activities text @gbcc2014 to (919) 336-5052.

If any youth, college students or parents are not receiving our emails or text message updates and would like to, please contact Allan to make sure that the church has your correct contact information at [allan.smith@greystonechurch.org](mailto:allan.smith@greystonechurch.org).



Our weekday preschoolers took love to heart in February. Working in partnership with our friends at Whispering Pines, we challenged our preschool families to collect cereal to donate to Urban Ministries. We were hoping to collect enough cereal boxes that, when lined up end to end, they'd stretch from the copier by the Fellowship Hall to the Directors office door. When we ended our cereal drive, we had collected over 150 boxes of cereal! That was more than enough to cover the distance. One of our classes went a step further, using their Valentines party as a time to make place mats for the Meals on Wheels program to use! What a great chance to teach these little ones to share God's love!

Preschool Registration is in full swing. Some of our classes are filling up! If you are looking for quality, half-day preschool care for 2016-2017, don't wait! Sign up soon!



**PASSPORT Kids!** - June 29 - July 2  
A camp for children in grades 3 - 5.  
Only a few spots left. Contact April Alston if you are interested by emailing [april.alston@greystonechurch.org](mailto:april.alston@greystonechurch.org).



Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School is August 4 - 7, and we are already planning and getting ready. You can help us by planning now to make this part of your summer plans and by keeping an eye out for decorations. We need sheep and lambs of all varieties (though we prefer natural colors) so if you catch a great clearance sale after Easter, we would love for you to donate to this year's decorations. As you are putting away your own decorations from the season, be sure to keep these items where you can get to them so we can use them this summer.

### Take Note | from the Music Ministries

#### Worship Opportunities in March

Walk with us through the last seven days of Christ during Passion Week. See below for special worship opportunities coming up.

**Mar. 20 — [11:00 AM]**

#### ***Palm Sunday Worship Service***

Join us for a special worship service featuring the Adult and Children's Choirs. Special musical offerings, palm branches and readings will be a fitting way to enter into Holy Week. The celebration of Palm Sunday will conclude at the table, where we'll observe the Lord's Supper together.

**Mar. 24 — [6:30 PM]**

#### ***Maundy Thursday Service***

In the depths of our Holy Week experience, we'll gather for a time of reflective worship. Taking time to linger at the cross, to ponder the weight of Christ's sacrifice, can heighten our Easter Sunday experience. We'll partake of the Lord's Supper together.

**Mar. 27 — [8:45 & 11:00 AM]**

#### ***Easter Sunday Worship Service***

Our Lenten season culminates with the church's celebration of the resurrection. The Handbell Choir, Adult Choir and Instrumentalists will help us all raise our "Alleluias" on this special morning of music, celebration and worship!

### Spring Planting Day 2016

Please join us March 6 at 4:00 PM to turn soil and plant vegetables meant for our first spring harvest. We will meet at the raised beds near the Lead Mine parking lot. Bring a trowel/garden spade and high spirits. Bedding plants will be provided. Contact Joanne Thompson with questions at [jtunm@aol.com](mailto:jtunm@aol.com).

### Buddy Break News

We had our largest Buddy Break yet with 22 VIPs and 40 volunteers! Thank you Greystone for your support of this ministry. We have a few special needs we are looking to fill, so please let us know if you can help. Call 919-219-1438 or email [buddybreak@greystonechurch.org](mailto:buddybreak@greystonechurch.org).

1. Family Liaison (calls families each month to let them know their status)
2. 1-2 indoor pop up tents
3. Any type of entertainment for our closing activity (20 min.)
4. Volunteer lunch for April and August
5. Help with clean up after each session (putting tables/chairs back up)





## Mission Statement

*With Christ as the Cornerstone, we will build a church of living stones, where every member is a minister and is equipped to express God's love by word and deed to all people."*

*Based on 1 Peter 2:5,6*

### Office Hours:

**Monday – Thursday**  
**8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

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**The April newsletter deadline for submissions is noon, Thursday, 3/24/16.**

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### Looking ahead...

**Arkansas Mission Trip, July 2016.** Be on the lookout for more information in upcoming bulletins/newsletters. Contact Lou Dawson for more information, [ldawson2@gmail.com](mailto:ldawson2@gmail.com).



**Arkansas  
MISSION Trip**

**March Solos for Lunch:** This is a lunch fellowship sponsored by the Senior Adult team for any adult who has no spouse or whose spouse is out of town, etc. There is no reservation needed. Meet at the back of the Sanctuary after the 11:00 Sunday service. The March schedule is: 3/6 - TGI Friday's, 3/13 - Outback, 3/20 - Casa San Carlos, 3/27 - Winston's



Lunch and

Fellowship

## People in Service

### March 6

**Ushers: 8:45 am:** Bill & Sylvia Goulding, Ron & Joanne Thompson; **11:00 am:** Bill Baxley, Hunter Ouzts, Kristen Pickles, Charlie Spahr, Donnie Moorefield, Nicole Moorefield

**Worship Care: 8:45 am:** Andy & Sandra Hunt, Annie & Will Moody; **11:00 am:** April & Brad Walker, Pam Ouzts, Johnny Glover, Kim Craig

**Greeters: 8:45 am:** Monaei Perry; **11:00 am:** Margaret Hilton, Margaret Thomas

**Deacon of the Week:** Bill Baxley

### March 13

**Ushers: 8:45 am:** Brad & April Walker, Andrew & Jamie Mabe; **11:00 am:** Jeb, Missy & Jillian Brookshire, Dorwin Lanham, Ken Mitchell, Kemp Sherron

**Worship Care: 8:45 am:** Heather Choplin, Jamie Allen, Matt & Anna Brawner, Dottie Thompson; **11:00 am:** Nancy Register, Craig Swaim, Donnie & Jean Moorefield, David Alston

**Greeters: 8:45 am:** Joyce Beauchaine, Berno Kleinhans; **11:00 am:** Pat Burris, Mavis Strickland

**Deacon of the Week:** Jennifer Walker

### March 20

**Ushers: 8:45 am:** Wayne & Cathy Smith, Bob & Nell Panten; **11:00 am:** Heather Choplin, Steve Holden, Pete Cregger, Gabriel Mallah

**Worship Care: 8:45 am:** Berno & Kim Kleinhans, Sarah & Chris Lannom; **11:00 am:** Susan Burnette, AnaRita Eason, Trish Boone, John Clark, Suzanne Best, Eileen Trawick

**Greeters: 8:45 am:** Bill & Sylvia Goulding; **11:00 am:** Arnold & Sylvia Lawson

**Deacon of the Week:** Cathy Byman

### March 27

**Ushers: 8:45 am:** Luke Andrew, Bill Judd, Tom & Shirley Ditt; **11:00 am:** Kerry Crabb, Dustin & Emily Tuttle, Tom Ogburn, Drew Hunt, Jackson Hollingsworth

**Worship Care: 8:45 am:** Jennifer & Brent Walker, Lilian & Brian Grant; **11:00 am:** Elizabeth Santana, Gayla Hollingsworth, Eddy & Amy Ng

**Greeters: 8:45 am:** Bobby & Peggy Hunter; **11:00 am:** Lu-Ann Lesley, Scott Naeser

**Deacon of the Week:** Teresa Dilday