**LLOYD’S LINES**

What a wonderful month God gave us at Arbor. All of our morning services experienced good attendance and strong financial giving. The Lord’s Supper was so meaningful. The Adult and Children’s Choirs did a masterful job leading us in worship. Kenny Evans closed our month with a timely message, testimony, and concert. May God have been glorified each service.

May is going to be exciting as well. Our Mother’s Day Brunch is coming up on May 11th. The children will be leading our Mother’s Day worship. We will be honoring our graduates the third Sunday. We will also observe Memorial Day. May promises to be a wonderful month.

I hope you will join us each service. We are praying you will be uplifted and our Lord glorified. Have a nice month and a nice forever!

**AMBER’S ABC KIDS KORNER**

The heart of a mother is like a rare jewel. They love their children during the worst and best of times. Yet all mothers are not the same. Author and speaker Patsy Clairmont says, “Normal is just a setting on your clothes dryer.” We are all different. She shared that as women we may “struggle, fail, start over, and celebrate.” But we are mothers who can love unlike any other person. God created families and gave mothers a unique place in that unit.

We can love, give of ourselves, cook, clean, wash clothes, put Band-Aids on scrapes … be the first one up in the morning or the last one down at night. We juggle a lot of things including raising children, working at jobs, managing a home, and sometimes finding time for ourselves. Each day is a new beginning of what lies before us. We have destiny, purpose, and the power to do and be all that we are called to be. Nothing can stop us except ourselves.

Mothers make up a crucial part of our lives. So, whether it is a Hallmark card, dinner out, hug, or a kiss on the cheek, we should show we care. It is so important to give our love to these dedicated women in our lives and don’t take them for granted.

Important Info

VBS June 23rd-27th

**Derrick’s Dispatch**

30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.”

Matthew 14:30

Jesus has commanded the water to bear his weight. What a surreal moment for Peter. Often this passage is used to look at the consequences of taking one’s eyes off of Jesus. Something so often overlooked here don’t miss it. Is how Peter sank. Think about this if you jumped in the water deep water, how would you sink? Quickly! Look at what the text says Peter began to sink. A slow sink and he cries out Lord save me. What caused the problem? It is where his eyes shifted. When they were on Jesus he was walking on the water but when he began to look at his circumstances he began to sink. Peter began to sink when his faith shifted from the firmness of Jesus’ word to the instability of his circumstance. And when we begin to take our eyes off of Jesus it is a slow sink. All that Satan needs is a small foothold to twist and make bigger. Our eyes must always be on Jesus and may we never forget the slippery slope of compromise.

**Announcements:**

- Youth mountain trip is June 1-7 please be in prayer for this trip. The theme is “Famous Stories.”
- There will be a parent meeting for the mountain trip on May 5 in the 10:10 room after church.
- This year’s Lock-In is on July 26. Please be in prayer for this event.
- Thank you for allowing me to be a part of this church.

Memory Verse:

But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!”

Matthew 4:30

**Kenny’s Konnection**

**Worship**

I came across a quote by Dr. Paul Tripp that said, “The first resurrection is earned, every believer’s ticket for the grace and glory of the final resurrection.” What a wonderful statement. I pray you all had a great Easter.

May is going to be another exciting month for us. On May 12, Mother’s Day, our children will be leading us a children’s choir and praise team while our band will be playing for them. You don’t want to miss this Sunday. Also, May 19th will be Graduate Sunday. On this day, we will celebrate the accomplishments of our Seniors, watch a video that walks us down memory lane and the seniors receive a challenge from both Pastor Lloyd and Brother Derrick.

**Discipleship**

Attention Sunday Schools Teachers, our next Leader meeting will be August 4th from 3-5 in the Choir Room. Dr. Tim Smith from the Ga Baptist Mission Board will be leading our workshop for the afternoon.

**Mexico Mission**

**Our Missions Gala** will be rescheduled for a later date this year.

June 23rd, following the morning worship service, we will have a B-B-Q plate Lunch fundraiser. Cost of the plates will be $10. Our team will be selling tickets.

Many of you remember last year we built a house in Mexico. Before the trip, the church raised $3000 for the cost of having the pad poured and the materials for the house. This year we are asking the same from our church family. During the month of May we will be asking the church to help contribute for the pad and house materials.

Please be in prayer for our team as we prepare for the trip. The cost per person is $475.00. If you would like to sponsor someone on the trip please touch base with Kenny. This year we will build a house, provide VBS, music, have a movie night and present the children with backpacks. The team is asking for you to contribute backpacks that will be presented to the kids. Thank you to those who have already contributed backpacks and supplies. Our goal will be 75 backpacks.

**55+ Ministry**

If you are not a part of Arbor’s 55+ Ministry, you are missing a blessing!! We offer a weekly Bible Study on Wednesday mornings 10:30-11:30. Our studies are relevant to the world that we are living in. We look into God’s word for guidance, and we have thought provoking discussions. On the second Tuesday of every month, we gather for lunch and a brief informational presentation or entertainment. Lunch begins at 12:00, followed by the program. This is a time for great fellowship in a relaxed setting. Your only obligation is to bring a “side dish” or desert to share. The meat and drinks are provided.

Once a month on a Thursday night, we go out for dinner. We meet at church, and ride together to a popular restaurant within an hour drive from Fitzgerald. We always have a fun time, with great food and wonderful fellowship!

Once a quarter, we go on a “day” trip. We have travelled to Colquitt several times to enjoy a play at the Cotton Hall Theatre. We love going to pick fresh produce, and always enjoy attending concerts!

This fall we will travel to “The Holy Land Experience” in Orlando Florida. This will be a 2 night/3 day trip. More information will be coming soon!

Mark your calendar!

**WEKY BIBLE STUDY, Wednesday mornings, 10:30-11:30 / FLC**
MAY LUNCH AND LEARN, TUESDAY, MAY 14, 12:00 / FLC

DINNER OUT, Thursday, MAY 23, 5:00 - Leave Arbor

The next Deacon’s Meeting is May 5th after the evening service.

RA Activities
May 15th Mission Presentation
May 22nd RA Water Day

Attention Arbor Baptist Church! You now have a new way of financially tithing or donating to the Lord through our church using an App called EasyTithe. For Apple and Android mobile devices, you will launch the app store from your device and search for EasyTithe app. Make sure your location services are turned ON. When you launch the app, you will search for Arbor Baptist Church by typing the organization name and/or zip code. Then, you will choose to search for organizations near you. After choosing Arbor Baptist Church, you will login or create a donor profile to give to our church. Once logged in, make a donation by tapping the “Give” icon, and enter your donation amount. For information you can visit “www.easytithe.com”.

Saturday May 4th at 7:00 AM in the Social Hall

Saturday May 11th at 11:00 in the Social Hall
It’s an Old Fashion Hat Party with special music.

You are invited to a His and Hers Wedding Shower for Kade Poole and Katlynn Bennett on Sunday, May 5th from 2:00-4:00 pm at the home Dorothy Gleeton on 172 Jeff Davis Hwy in Fitzgerald. Kade is the son of Patty Dobbins. They are registered at Target and Amazon.

May Birthdays

1st Callen Ray
2nd Clint Wixson
3rd Jacob Burkett
4th Sandy Anderson, Chandler Yarbrough
5th Barb Stauffer
6th Candice Cobb, Landon Miles
7th Garrett Yarbrough, Jarrett Yarbrough, Kylie Cooper
9th Terri Smith
10th LaRue Stantill, Todd Morrison, Shannon Burkett,
Jennifer Fowler
11th Mackie Daniels
13th Kenley Nobles
14th Michael Hoggard, Melanie Wixson
16th London Bynum
17th Carolyn Conger
18th Kathleen Fish
19th Samantha Cone
21st Savannah Pughsley
23rd Connie Mixon, Scott Hendley, Lindy Dobbins
25th Pam Carter, Misty Fish
26th Charlotte Cobb
27th Gene Hendley, Brian Cobb, Coby Griffin
29th Cory Stembridge
31st Connie Sexton, Ameda Conger, Arden McCleery

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