

**Golden Tones  
Outreach Tour Begins**

April 16 - Eden Terrace  
April 23 - Windsor House  
Bus Leaves: 2:00 P.M. Sing: 2:30 P.M.  
Golden Tones, remember to wear golf shirts.

**A Look Ahead to May**

◆ **Kidzone**

Ends Sunday, May 6

◆ **Forty Days of Prayer**

Ends Sunday, May 6

◆ **Children’s Wednesday Night  
Activities**

End May 16

◆ **Men’s Small Group**

Ends Sunday, May 20

◆ **Graduate Recognition  
and Luncheon**

Sunday, May 20

Parents, we would like to recognize our high school and college graduates in the library window, in an upcoming worship guide, and on the monitors. Please submit a 5x7” copy of your graduate (preferably in graduate regalia), a digital copy of the picture if you have one, the graduate’s full name, and the name of the high school or college he or she attended.

*The deadline to submit these items to the Church Office or to Steve Kibbe is Sunday, April 29.*

◆ **Summer Life Groups Training**

Sunday, May 20 6:00 P.M.

◆ **Lifeline Screening**

Thursday, May 24

Take a step toward staying healthy and active. Do more for your cardiovascular health with preventative screening. Pre-registration is required. To receive a \$10 discount, call 1-888-653-6450 or go online at [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners).

**Finish Strong: The Life of Samson  
Follow a Godly Example  
Judges 13:2-25**

Before Judges 13, the Bible mentions numerous times that “the Israelites did evil in the sight of the Lord.” Shortly thereafter, we see references to Israel crying out to God. In Judges 13, however, Israel does not cry out to God. God acts first, as an example of His grace.

1. A spiritual mother’s example teaches us the value of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. By His grace, God created the first mother, as a helper and companion, to \_\_\_\_\_ others. (Genesis 2)
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ teaches us to listen to others but to serve only God. (Judges 13:2-25)
  
2. A spiritual father’s example teaches us the value of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. By His grace, God created the first husband with the \_\_\_\_\_ to serve and lead others. (Genesis 2)
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ teaches us to lead others humbly before God. (Judges 13:8-25)

**Ministers - All Members of the Congregation**

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 WQUL 95.9 FM or 1510 AM

Our monthly newsletter and our weekly Worship Guide can be found on our website ([www.msidechurch.org](http://www.msidechurch.org)) under the *Publications* tab. You may also livestream our Worship Service on Facebook. If you prefer a CD, you may order one from the Church Office for \$5.00.



*Morningside*  
Baptist Church  
*Seeking, Serving, Sharing*

April 15, 2018

Prelude: “Holy Ground” ..... Gail Medlin  
 Welcome, Mside Moment, Invocation ..... Rev. Freida Cole  
 Call to Worship: “Majesty” ..... Hayford  
 Golden Tones

\* Hymn of Praise No. 2 ..... “Holy, Holy, Holy”  
 Scripture Reading: Judges 13:2-10 ..... Diann Easler  
 Special Music: “Sweet Beulah Land” ..... arr. Kirkland  
 Golden Tones

\* Offertory Hymn No. 446 ..... “Take Time to Be Holy”  
 \* Offertory Prayer ..... Beth Mitchell  
 Offertory Music: “Send the Light” ..... Paula Joye, Gail Medlin

\* Doxology  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Anthem: “What a Wonderful Friend” ..... Clatterbuck  
Golden Tones

*Children (Age 4 - Grade 2) will leave for Kids Worship after the morning anthem.*

Pastoral Prayer ..... Rev. Steven Owensby

Message: *Finish Strong: The Life of Samson* ..... Rev. Owensby  
Follow a Godly Example

\* Hymn of Decision No. 280 ..... “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

\* Benediction ..... Rev. Owensby

\* Benediction Response: “As We Go” ..... Johnson  
Golden Tones

Postlude: “I Love You, Lord” ..... arr. Wagner  
Paula Joye

\* Congregation Stands

*Hearing aid devices are available in the Vestibule.  
Please see an usher for assistance.*

## Sunday, April 15

Worship Service ..... 9:30  
 Bible Study ..... 10:45  
 Membership Matters..... 10:45  
 Girl Scouts ..... 3:00  
 Men's Small Group ..... 4:00  
 Clarion Sounds ..... 4:30  
 Kidzone..... 6:00  
 Forty Days of Prayer..... 6:00

## Monday, April 16

Golden Tones Outreach..... 2:00  
 Orchestra..... 7:00

## Tuesday, April 17

Bicycle Ministry ..... 8:00  
 Staff Meeting ..... 1:15  
 Scouts ..... 6:30

## Wednesday, April 18

Guitar Lessons ..... 4:30  
 Preschool Praise..... 5:50  
 Children's Choir ..... 5:50  
 ESOL ..... 5:50  
 Prayer Meeting ..... 6:00  
 Mission Friends ..... 6:30  
 G.A.'s and R.A.'s ..... 6:40  
 Sanctuary Choir ..... 7:05

## Thursday, April 19

ESOL ..... 9:00  
 Prayer Shawl Ministry ..... 11:00

## Friday, April 20

**Church Office Closed**

Prayer Warriors ..... 9:30

### Guitar Lessons

A few seats for lessons are still available. Call Carole Johnson at 621-7890 for information.

### Forty Days of Prayer Small Group Opportunity Sundays at 6:00 P.M. Youth Room

It's not too late to join our prayer group. People of all ages can learn how to pray beyond themselves and see how God remains in control in the midst of dark days. *Seek GOD for the CITY 2018* guides us in seeking God in two simple ways: seeking God's face and seeking God's Kingdom. As we come to God, He will come to us. No registration is required. Cost: \$3 for book

## Worship Child Care

### Sunday, April 15

**Babies - Age 3  
9:15 - 10:40 A.M.  
Preschool Wing**

### Kids Worship

**Age 4 - Grade 2 Room 102**  
 Children attend worship, beginning at 9:30 A.M., and leave the Sanctuary following the anthem.

### Ministers on Call

**April 15, 20**

Steven Owensby, 590-7985

**April 20-21**

Freida Cole, 884-4793

### Deacon Ministry Teams

**April 16-22**

Troy Bridges

Dan Moore John Rogers II

**April 23-29**

Wayne Fisher

Ted Quinn John Rogers, Sr.

### Bicycle Ministry

Small bikes are needed desperately! They will be refurbished and donated to others in the community.

### Special Offering for North American Missions

You may turn in your contribution to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering at any time during April.

## Pastor's Messages

Pastor Steven's new sermon series, *Finish Strong: The Life of Samson*, explores the wisdom found in Judges 13-16. Today, the scripture passage is Judges 13:2-25. We learn from the life of Samson's parents that parents, as well as leaders, must refresh their commitment to serve as godly examples for the next generation.

### Membership Matters Class Begins Today 10:45 A.M. Office Conference Room

*Membership Matters* is a class designed to help new, existing, and potential members learn how to serve Christ at Morningside and develop a growing relationship with Him. Pastor Steven will serve as the leader for this six-week class. Come join the group this morning following Worship!

### Seeking Jesus in Bible Study New Series Begins Wednesday, April 18 6:00 P.M. Fellowship Hall

Pastor Steven will begin a new series during Prayer Meeting this week: *Seeking Jesus in Bible Study*. During the initial session, he will discuss the need for us to read the Bible, meditate or reflect over the meaning of the scripture passages, and then pray in order to nurture a growing relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The scripture reference for April 18 is Matthew 4:1-4.

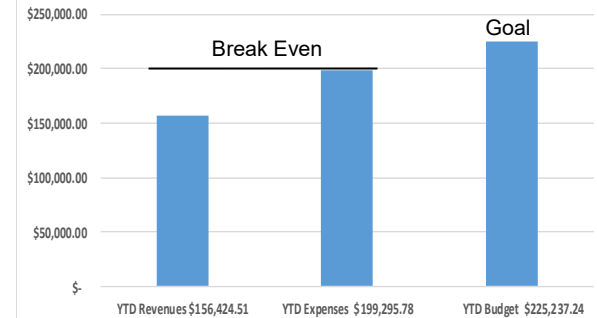
### Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser for Nicaragua Mission Team Sunday, April 22 Noon

You have another opportunity to help the 2018 Nicaragua mission team raise funds for their trip. A meal of spaghetti, salad, roll, dessert, and beverage costs only \$5.00 per person or \$20 for the entire family. Take-out plates are also available. Tickets are on sale today in the Welcome Center after Morning Worship and in the Church Office during regular business hours. Come fellowship with others while helping the team raise money for this missions effort. You may also call the Church Office to reserve your meal(s) and pay at the door no later than Tuesday, April 17.

### Hearts and Hands Card Stamping Class Thursday, April 26 9:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Fellowship Hall

Esther Boyle, a Stampin' Up demonstrator, will guide you with step-by-step instructions and provide all materials for creating three beautiful handcrafted cards: sympathy, thinking of you, and birthday. Cost: \$5, which will be deducted from any purchase. Call Janis Haynes at 595-5052 to reserve your seat or to get more details.

### Financial Report through March 31, 2018



### Total Returned to God

**April 8, 2018: \$18,583.88**  
**Weekly Needs for 2018: \$17,325.94**  
**Mortgage Balance: \$909,696.24**

### Copies of Sermons

Sunday morning sermons are no longer available on the Morningside website due to computer incompatibility. If you are unable to attend church one week, you may

- ◆ Livestream the service on Facebook.
- ◆ Listen to the sermon the following Sunday morning on radio station WQUL 95.9 FM or 1510 AM at 10:00 A.M.
- ◆ Order a CD of the entire service from the Church Office for \$5.00.

### Morningside Baptist Church SEEKING, SERVING, SHARING

We **SEEK** a personal, life-changing relationship with God through prayer, engaging worship, and Bible study.  
 We **SERVE** others by modeling the love of Christ through missions and ministry involvement.  
 We **SHARE** God's grace through genuine, loving fellowship and discipleship.