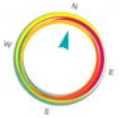


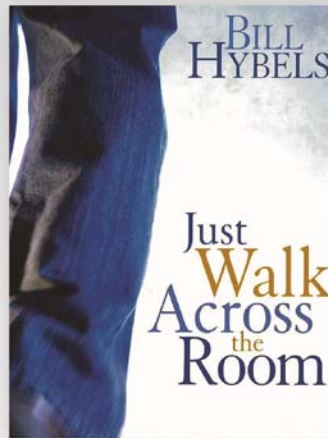
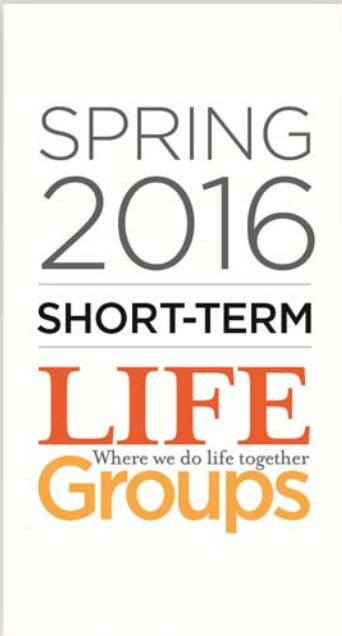
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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER **March 31, 2016**

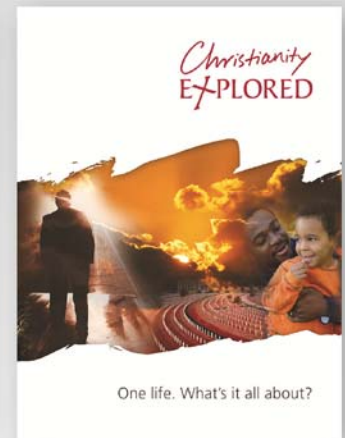
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4 Weeks
April 3 - 24
Sundays @ 9:45am
Upstairs Mezzanine
Leader: Jock Hendricks



7 Weeks
April 3 - May 15
Sundays @ 11:00am
Room 203
Leader: Renae Nicholes



6 Weeks
April 3 - May 8
Sundays @ 11:00am
Room 118
Leader: various pastors

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

10 new classes start **April 6**

Fellowship Meal 5:00-6:15pm | \$5/Adult • \$3/Child • \$15 Max/Family | Classes Start @ 6:00pm



Adult Discipleship Classes



MS/HS Students | MS @ 6:00pm/HS @ 7:30pm



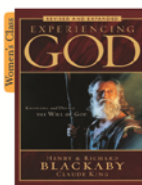
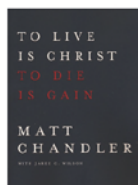
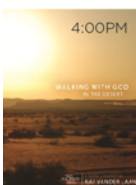
Newborn - 5th Grade



Get your class books early!
The FISH Market will be open
April 3 in the lobby during morning
services and April 6 at 5:30pm in the
upstairs adult hall.

Pick up a FISH schedule in the lobby for class descriptions.

Late start-4/20





Easter Bombs...

DIRECTIONS

by
Dr. Clay Smith
Lead Pastor

While we were singing, they were crying.

On Easter Sunday, halfway around the world, a suicide bomber blew himself up in a crowded park in Lahore, Pakistan. Seventy-two people died, including 24 children. Three hundred forty-one were injured. A splinter group of the Pakistan Taliban claimed responsibility.

The attack was deliberately timed to occur on Easter. Although most of those killed and injured were Muslims, the target was the tiny Christian community in Pakistan, only 2% of the population.

This is not the first attack on the Christian community in Pakistan. In 2013, a church was bombed and 80 people died. Last year, a Christian community in Lahore was attacked, and 14 were killed. In fairness, many Muslims denounce these attacks. Muslim extremists, however, are demanding a strict interpretation of Islamic law to be the rule of law in Pakistan.

I am writing about this not to lament how awful it is, though it is awful. I am not writing about this to issue a call to destroy Islam. I am not writing this to make any political statement or endorsement.

I want you to join me in a gut check – that’s why I am writing this.

Would you still call yourself a Christian if your life was threatened? Would you still come to church if there was a constant threat of being bombed? Would you still gather with your small group in the name of Jesus if you thought your neighbors would storm your gathering with guns?

I think I suffer for Jesus because everything is not just the way I like it in my life. I have no idea what it really means to suffer for Jesus. My faith has never been tested the way our brothers and sisters around the world have their faith tested each day.

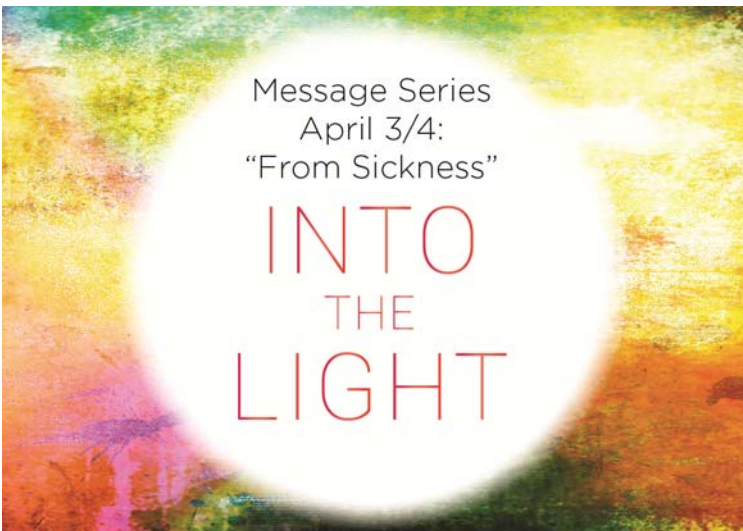
I need to shed my American arrogance that wants to tell God how tough I have it, and open my eyes to a bigger world. More people will be martyred for Jesus Christ this year than any other year in

history. My brothers and sisters in Jesus are constantly putting themselves at risk just to follow Jesus.

These Easter bombs remind me to be profoundly grateful for my freedom. They also remind me not to long for the illusion of safety, but to follow Jesus wherever He leads. The bombs remind me to get a grip and remember my complaints about music, conveniences, preferences, and tastes are silly. What matters is the work of my Lord. Maybe if my view of what God is doing in the world got bigger, my grumpiness would get smaller, and my soul would be more like Jesus.

I pray for the people in Pakistan, for those grieving and those injured. I pray for the Taliban, because Jesus told me to pray for my enemies. And I pray that God will make me an instrument of His peace, because His peace, the peace of Easter, is so desperately needed, like drops of gentle rain on parched, cracked soil.

Grace, 



Why Multisite: The Past, Present, and Future of Alice Drive

taught by Clay Smith
April 13, 20, 27 @ 6:00pm
McManus Hall



April 8
6:00pm-midnight
202C



April 9
10:00am-3:00pm
202C

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

April 12 @ 6:30pm

McManus Hall



Our group of seniors meet each month for community, a catered meal, and an entertaining program.

Our guest for April will be Mrs. Lois Eargle, Auditor of Horry County. She will be speaking on her new book My Life of Faith, Family, and Fortitude. Tickets are \$6 each and are on sale in the lobby on Sundays or in the office during weekday hours. The deadline to purchase tickets is April 10. Menu: Fried chicken, mac-n-cheese, fried okra, salad, roll, and dessert.

GO Share by Serving Our Community



SATURDAY, APRIL 30

Sign up begins April 10 in the lobby

There will be projects ranging from a shoe walk, prayer, construction, and yard work. Be on the lookout for details to come.



For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

— *Matthew 6:21* —



2016/17 School Year Registration is Now Open

Monday/Wednesday/Friday Weekday Preschool
for ages 6 months - 4 years



**baseball
softball
soccer
art
cheer
dance
tennis**

June 13-16 // 9:00am-noon

1st grade completed - 5th grade completed

Includes one activity taught by a trained coach, t-shirt, water bottle, backpack, snacks, and an unforgettable week!

Register now - Space is limited!

\$50 by May 1; \$65 after May 1

Register online or fill out a form at church.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 3

- Worship Services (8:30, 9:45 & 11:00am)
- LIFE Groups for all ages (9:45 & 11:00am)
- 9:30a FISH Market, Lobby
- 9:45a Just Walk Across the Room starts, Mezzanine
- 11:00a Christianity Explored starts, 118
- Ready to Launch starts, 203
- 5:00p Outreach, Worship Center

Monday, April 4

- 7:00p Worship Service, Worship Center
- LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade
- 8:00p Adult LIFE Group, 118

Tuesday, April 5

- 10:00a Bad Girls of the Bible Class, 118
- 7:00p Celebrate Recovery Worship, studio4.3
- 8:00p Celebrate Recovery Shared Groups, studio4.3

Wednesday, April 6

- 2:00p Praying Ladies, 119
- 4:00p In-Depth Bible Study, 202A
- 5:00p Fellowship Meal, Worship Center
- 5:30p FISH Market, Upstairs Adult Hall
- 6:00p FISH Adult Discipleship Classes
- Awana (kids)
- 6:00p The Mix (Middle School), studio4.3
- 7:30p The Mix (High School), studio4.3
- Worship Choir Rehearsal, 205

Thursday, April 7

- 9:00a MOPS, Worship Center
- 10:00a Thimble Thursday, 104A/B
- 5:30p Tech Talk, Balcony
- 6:00p Vocal Team Rehearsal, Green Room
- 7:00p Worship Team Rehearsal, Worship Center

Friday, April 8

- 6:00p Crafters' Escape, 202C

Saturday, April 9

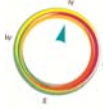
- 10:00a Stitches of Love Quilting, 202C

Sunday, April 10

- Worship Services (8:30, 9:45 & 11:00am)
- LIFE Groups for all ages (9:45 & 11:00am)
- 4:00p HELPS Team Meeting, 201
- 5:00p Outreach, Worship Center

Monday, April 11

- 7:00p Worship Service, Worship Center
- LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade
- 8:00p Adult LIFE Group, 118



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FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM

Take your next step - Contact Stacy Wright: swright@adbc.org

ATTENDANCE Easter 2016

Saturday Night.....	256
8:30am.....	335
9:45am.....	848
11:00am.....	834
Monday Night.....	150
Total.....	2,423

LIFE GROUPS Easter 2016

Adults.....	330
Students.....	91
Children.....	144
Preschool.....	53
Total.....	818

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL | April 6

Fried chicken, mac-n-cheese, green beans, & dessert

Kids' Menu: same as adults

\$5/adults, \$3/kids under 12, \$15 max/family

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WORSHIP
TIMES

SUNDAYS

8:30am Traditional
Childcare for 5 & under
9:45 & 11:00am Contemporary
LIFE Groups for all ages

MONDAYS

7:00pm Contemporary
LIFE Groups for babies-5th grade
8:00pm Adult LIFE Group