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*“If you abide in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine:
and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” John 8:31-32*

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“On A HILL TOO FAR AWAY”

Easter Cantata



Friday, April 6th
7:00 PM

Saturday, April 7th
7:00 PM

The purpose of Liberty Baptist Church is to **magnify God** through **reaching people** and **developing members toward Christ-like maturity**, preparing them for **personal ministry** and **worldwide mission**.

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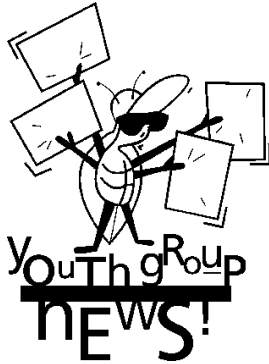
FROM THE OF THE PASTOR

Liberty family, I am looking forward with anticipation to being a part of what the Lord has directed us to as a church. We are beginning the process of seeking a partnership with a Baltimore City church as a part of Embrace Baltimore. Baltimore will be a Strategic Focus City of our North American Mission Board in 2007 and our partnership could involve us in various ministries (VBS, outreach, physical maintenance/renovation, joint worship, leadership training) that will be determined once a partnership is in place. Our purpose statement says we are to be prepared for “personal ministry and worldwide mission”. This will be an opportunity for both as we seek to minister to and with a sister church in reaching its community for Christ.

Also, our Minister of Music and Youth Search Committee has been elected and is beginning to fulfill its responsibility. I know they would appreciate your prayers for them. The responsibility is great and the Lord who will lead them is much greater. Pray that He gives wisdom for the work. I believe that since God has led us to pursue a man for this ministry, He will also lead us to His man. Pray for Mike Bright (chair), Jane Colson, John Ely, Donna Glover, and Judy Mied.

I am also excited that our choir is going on mission to Belington, WV, on April 14. They will be presenting “*On a Hill Too Far Away*” for the community in the auditorium of the local school. Brian Corrick is pastor at Calvary Southern Baptist Church in Belington. Pray that God will use the Liberty family in calling lost souls and encouraging the saints.

Pastor Lance



LIBERTY LIGHTS

Striving to Live as Children of Light
Ephesians 5:8-11, 13, & 14a

Upcoming events:

World Changers Bible Study, April 29th & May 6th
For Guys Only & For Girls Only beginning Sunday evening, April 22nd
Saturday, April 21st – Car Wash @ Mt. Airy Pizza Hut

The Centrifuge and World Changers trips are fast approaching! We still have several things to do get ready. Our next fundraiser is a car wash scheduled for Saturday, April 21st at the Mt. Airy Pizza Hut from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tell all your friends and neighbors!!

To prepare ourselves for our mission trip to World Changers the group will be participating in a Bible Study. This is a required study for all those going. We will meet on Sunday afternoon April 29th and May 6th at 3:30p.m. We will be done in time for the regular evening activities.

Ready to try something new!! Beginning Sunday evening April 22nd we will be offering a “For Girls Only” group and “For Boys Only” group. The girls group will be lead by Kim Bright and the boys group will be lead by Mike Bright. Bring a friend along and join us on Sunday evenings!!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Praise Walk April 7th, 8:30 a.m.

All ladies are invited to this time to get some exercise, fresh air and to read Psalms of praise to our Father.

Christ Crafts & Chocolate Friday, April 20th, 7:00 p.m.

Do you have a craft to share? Do you love chocolate? Do you enjoy fellowship? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please join us for a ladies night out on April 20th at 7pm at the church for Christ, Crafts, and Chocolate. We had to reschedule due to inclement weather in March, but we are confident it will be beautiful weather this time around. Please sign-up (again) in the foyer so we can plan on craft supplies. We need at least 4 crafters. The "admission" price is a completed Health Kit. These kits are distributed each year by Maryland/Delaware Baptist in a variety of ministries including migrants, prison inmates, homeless and seaman. The following items need to be in a two gallon zip-loc bag or a 14 x 12 drawstring cloth bag: a large bath towel, wash cloth, toothbrush (adult), toothpaste (large), large comb (no rat tail combs), shampoo (full size), soap (full size bar) and deodorant. See Darlene for more info.

Women's Breakfast May 19th 9:00 a.m.

We are planning a very special event for all Mothers and Daughters on May 19th at 9:30am. Please reserve this date on your calendars, more information will be forthcoming.



Men's Breakfast Saturday, April 7th 8:00 AM

Bring a breakfast food to share!

School of Disciples How Now Shall We Live?

(video-driven study)

Sunday evenings, 5:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Facilitators: Jim Osborn & John Lockwood

Alleluia!

HE IS ALIVE!

"On A Hill Too Far Away" Easter Cantata

The choir is hard at work getting ready for this exciting Easter presentation. Greatly influenced by the John Fisher book "On a Hill Too Far Away", this musical calls for the church to bring the cross back to a central focus of the faith. There will be two presentations Friday, April 6th at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 7th at 7:00 p.m.



MEN'S RETREAT Growing as Leaders in Our Church and in Our Homes

Guest facilitator: Brian Doyle

Friday, May 4, 6:00p.m. (dinner) thru
Saturday, May 5, 2:00 p.m.

Skycroft Conference Center, Middletown
The remaining balance of \$50 (total cost - \$60) for the men's retreat on May 4-5 is due by Sunday, April 15th. Registration is still open, but a \$10 deposit is needed right away for those who are interested in attending. A schedule, directions, and instructions will be mailed to participants in the next couple of weeks.



SOFTBALL TEAM

Liberty's first game will be April 21st. Games are each Saturday at 4:00 or 6:00 p.m. in Ellicott City at Centennial Lane Park.

The cost is \$10 per player. Sign up on the bulletin board in the church foyer or contact Mike Mulder.



Date: June 25th – 29th
Time: 9am – 12pm

It's never too early to start preparing for Vacation Bible School 2007. This year's theme is titled, "Game Day Central: Where Heroes are Made." VBS will get kids in the game and help them learn how to become heroes both on and off the field by focusing on Jesus and following God's plan for their lives.

During Game Day Central VBS, kids will have an all-access pass for everything from the Worship Rally Arena to the Crafts Fan Zone. So, get ready for a record-setting Vacation Bible School with Game Day Central VBS-it's where heroes are made!

The VBS scripture is: ***"Run with endurance the race that lies before us, keeping our eyes on Jesus, the source and perfecter of our faith." Hebrews 12:1-2.***

If you are interested in joining us for VBS this year please contact us at (301) 829-9389 or billandtammy@comcast.net

Bill and Tammy Salindong
 VBS Directors

Church Attendance

	Sunday School	Worship
2/25	54	50
3/4	71	107
3/11	67	117
3/18	71	120
3/25	77	112

CHURCH STAFF

Lance Metcalf, Senior Pastor
 Kim Bright, Church Administrator
 Connie Casamento, Music Director
 Brenda Mulder, Custodian

DEACON OF THE WEEK

April 01 Paul Mied
 April 08 Boh Mulder
 April 15 John Ely
 April 22 Paul Lenk
 April 29 Richard Barron

Linda Drews 4/10
 Deanna Anderson 4/12
 Henry Wilder 4/12
 Carol Barron 4/15
 Whitney Nesbitt 4/16
 Jonathan Metcalf 4/17
 Brenda Mulder 4/17
 Judy Barnard 4/18
 Tyler Martin 4/20
 John Lockwood 4/24
 William Hagey 4/27
 Mike Roelands 4/27
 Bill Salindong 4/29
 Nicole McClair 4/30



Bob & Barbara Rimbey 4/7
 John & Darlene Ely 4/10
 Louis & Donna Glover 4/13
 Bill & Tammy Salindong 4/23
 Paul & Judy Mied 4/27

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary please contact the church office so we may update our records.



(as of March 25, 2007)

2007 Total Budget (Jan-Dec) \$266,344
2006 General Fund Budget \$263,344
General Fund Budget to Date \$ 60,772
General Fund Receipts to Date \$ 57,855

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