



The Living Stone Link

April 2018 News Letter

Celebrate Easter Years Round

“ We have often asserted, and we affirm it yet again, that no fact in history is better attested than the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. It must not be denied, by any who are willing to pay the slightest respect to the testimony of their fellow-men, that Jesus, who died upon the cross, and was buried in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea, did literally rise again from the dead.”

- Charles Spurgeon

Easter is the time of year when we remember all aspects of the process of our Salvation. The Triumphal Entry of Christ into Jerusalem, with the waving of palms and singing and cheering. The people believed Jesus had come to save them from the oppression of the Roman rulers. I believe they did not truly understand what Jesus had come to do. Only four days later the crowd, stirred up by the religious leader were calling our for Christ to be crucified.

The Work of the Cross paid our eternal sin debt to God.

“Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.”

- Hebrew 9:22

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Mission Moment

History of NAMB - North American Mission Board (Part 3 of 5)

1929 - The HMB incurs a \$2.5 million debt during the Great Depression and missionary forces plunge from 1,600 to 106.

1934 - The annual missions offering taken to benefit home missions is named in honor of Annie Armstrong.

1938 - SBC creates a Radio Committee to explore using radio in broadcasting “the Baptist message.”

1941 - “The Baptist Hour” radio program launches and is broadcast for 13 weeks in 11 states.

1941 - SBC begins endorsement of chaplains.

1944 - Student summer missions, one of HMB’s first volunteer endeavors, begins with 11 summer missionaries.

1946 - The Radio Committee is designated an agency of the SBC and renamed Radio Commission to be located in Atlanta, Ga.

For prayer needs or questions, feel free to contact Pastor Jim Hess @ 207-642-2309 or visit our website www.livingstonemaine.org

Celebrate Easter Years Round (cont)

The resurrection of Christ is evidence to the promise of eternal life. On Easter Sunday we celebrate that resurrection and that gift of eternal life. Without this Gift we are condemned to spend "Eternity in Hell".

As Christians I fear we forget the great price that was paid, truly how cruel was Christ death. As we profess our Salvation, I also fear we forget what we have been saved from.

When we reflect on these things it gives us great freedom and desire to Celebrate Easter Years Round.

Yours in Christ

Elder Jeff

Calendar Notes for April

Apr. 1; 9:30 AM. Easter Sunday
Apr. 14; 8:30 AM. Men's Breakfast
Apr. 21; 9:00 AM. Deacon's Meeting
Apr. 29; 6:30 PM. Ministry Leaders Council

Regular Weekly Services

Sunday Worship at 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Life Groups at 11:15
Sunday Evening Discipleship-U at 6:30
Friday Youth Groups at 6:00
Thursday Children Study and Prayer Meeting at 6:15.

Birthdays

April 16th - Noah Seavey
April 24th - Renee Seavey

Wedding Anniversaries

(If you would like family birthdays and anniversaries listed in the news letter, please submit to Elder Jeff.)



2018 Operation Christmas Child

Collection Week is November 12th – 19th

In 2018 we are going to expand out Shoebox contributions by having monthly collections items. In April we will be collecting.



Stuffed Animals

For May we will be collecting Hygiene Items.

See some of the testimonies in the Special Report Magazine on the table in the hall.

Need some ideas for shoe boxes, visit www.samaritanaspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-