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# WAYS OUR CHURCHES ARE MINISTERING DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS



**Livestreaming Sermons** 



**Drive-In Church Services** 



**Online Devotionals** 

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# **Senior Adult Ministries**

THANK YOU CHURCHES FOR CONTINUING TO MINISTER TO YOUR COMMUNITIES AND LOVING THEM THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC.

# March & April Ministry Partners

Church		March		April		YTD	Church	March		April		YTD
Abner Creek	\$	176.13	\$	359.22	\$		Locust Hill	\$ 1,928.02	\$	-	\$	5,772.00
Airport	\$	-	\$	-	\$		Lyman First	\$ 400.00		400.00		1,600.00
Apalache	+	2,234.66	·	2,344.51	\$	9,154.65	Manatial De Vida	\$ 50.00	_	-	\$	100.00
Belvue	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	Marietta First	\$ 1,536.75		_	\$	4,447.41
Berea First	<del>l -</del>	4,057.47		2,878.29	<u> </u>	11,125.07		\$ 42.00	<u> </u>	_	\$	84.00
Betania	\$	-	\$	-	\$		Milford	\$ -	\$	_	\$	-
Bethel	\$	500.00	\$	_	\$		Mount Lebanon	\$ 350.00		350.00	_	1,050.00
Blue Ridge	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	Mount Pleasant	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
Burnsview	<del>l -</del>	3,275.09	H-	1,305.80	\$	6,170.63	Mountain Creek	\$ 915.00		166.66	_	3,728.66
Calvary	\$	185.14	\$	-	\$		Mountain Hill	\$ 166.66	_	-	\$	499.99
Cambodian Church	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	\$		New Liberty	\$ 136.70		178.80	<u> </u>	694.53
Camp Creek	\$	-	\$	160.00	\$		North Fork	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
Clearview	\$	718.75	\$	718.75	\$		Northwest	\$ 	\$		\$	
Cleveland First	\$	175.00	\$	175.00	\$		Northwood	\$ 	\$	_	\$	_
Cox Chapel	\$	173.00	\$	173.00	\$		Old Fashioned	\$ 	\$		\$	
Cross Plains	\$	150.00	۶ \$	150.00	۶ \$	600.00		\$ 150.00		150.00		600.00
	۶ \$	130.00	۶ \$	130.00	۶ \$		Paris Mountain	\$ 400.00	_	400.00		1,100.00
Cross Roads	\$	685.00	۶ \$	685.00	۶ \$	2,055.00	Pebble Creek	\$ 400.00	۶ \$	400.00	۶ \$	750.00
Double Springs	۶ \$	667.95	۶ \$		_	3,121.74		\$ 	۶ \$	455.66	_	
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Echo Hills	\$	50.00	_	50.00		150.00	Pleasant Grove	\$ 200.00	·-	200.00	÷	600.00
Edgewood	\$	125.00	\$	125.00	\$		Pleasant Hill	\$ -	\$	-	\$	
El Bethel	\$ \$	135.00	\$	135.00	\$		Providence	\$ -	\$	300.00	_	-
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Fairview			1	1,377.34	\$	6,044.13	Reidville	\$ 321.00		245.00	<u> </u>	1,391.00
First Korean	\$	150.00	\$ \$	-	\$ \$		Renfrew	\$ 50.00	_	500.00	\$	100.00
Foothills	\$	175.00					Riverside	\$ 500.00	<u> </u>	500.00	_	2,000.00
Forestville	\$	850.00 300.00	\$	850.00	\$		Rock Springs	\$ 332.12	\$	381.34	\$	1 474 05
Freedom	\$	300.00		300.00		1,200.00		\$ 332.12				1,474.05
Friendship/Greer	\$	-	\$	200.00	_	600.00		\$ -	\$	560.04	_	1,188.94
Gap Creek	\$	559.02	\$				Southside	\$ -	\$	2 000 00	\$	4 402 00
Gowensville	\$	898.27		1,382.66		4,611.12	Taylors First	\$ -	\$	3,008.00	\$	4,192.00
Grace Place	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1 466 64	Church at BR	\$ -	\$	1 200 00	\$	262.50
Greer First	\$	366.66	\$	366.66	\$	1,466.64	Church at Cherrydale	\$ -	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00
Groveland	\$	50.00		50.00			Church at Greer Station	\$ 60.00		60.00		180.00
Heritage Chapel	\$	258.03	\$	200.91	\$	888.90	Tigerville	\$ 139.55		140.52	_	628.28
Highland	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	TR First	\$ 228.42		-	\$	752.72
Hillcrest	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	TR Community Church	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
His Vineyard	1			,		4,000.00	Trinity Way	\$ 250.00		250.00		1,000.00
Holly Springs	\$	833.34	\$			2,500.02	Tyger	\$ -	\$	-	\$	463.05
Lake Cooley	\$	337.50	\$	337.50	\$	1,012.50	Victor	\$ -	\$			2,685.62
Lifesong	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$		Walnut Grove	\$ 250.00		250.00		1,000.00
Lima	\$	47.01	Ė	68.34			Washington	\$ 833.00		833.00	\$	3,332.00
Living Way	\$	302.22	\$	384.21	\$	1,472.30	Online Giving	\$ 330.55		-	\$	330.55
							Total	\$ 30,461.59	\$	11,194.30	\$	121,077.86

### Tim Clark's Silver Anniversary at Holly Springs

Go where God leads you: a phrase that many believers recite and live by, especially pastors as they seek and follow God's lead to where He wants them to be. It was 25

years ago that Tim Clark knew The Lord was leading him to be pastor at Holly Springs Baptist Church.

Prior to Holly Springs, Tim was senior pastor at Screven Baptist in Georgetown, SC and after much prayer, he felt it was time to move on. The move to Holly Springs was not a quick and easy transition. Friends at another church submitted his name for their pastoral vacancy. It was during that time Holly Springs contacted. vacancy. It was during that time Holly Springs contacted him. Eventually Holly Springs called him as senior pastor and Tim is very thankful they did. He described the transition as God closing one door

and opening another.

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Many pastors do not stay at one church for 25 years and if they do, there is usually a special reason behind it. Tim gave several reasons as to why he has stayed so long at Holly Springs.

"I inherited a strong church which has sought to do church the Biblical way," Tim said. "It's a missions minded, evangelistic congregation with a great history of long pastoral tenures." Tim says it's the wonderful people who make this a great church. He adds, with a smile, "They have been very patient and kind to me!"

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Like any other pastor, Tim has experienced both mountaintop and valley moments throughout his ministry. One of his greatest moments at Holly Springs was celebrating the church's 200th anniversary in 2004. That year they had special services, old fashion day, a parade, and even published a church history which won a state

history award.

One of the worst moments came in 2016 when the church building caught fire after being struck by lightning and many repairs had to be done. Thankfully, this bad situation turned out good in that the church had excellent insurance coverage to pay for the over two million dollar renovations. Additionally, while they were out of the capetuary for a year, they met in the church gym of the sanctuary for a year, they met in the church gym and many new people came out to see what was happen-ing and began to attend regularly. As a result, many new members joined and Holly Springs had one of its best years for baptisms.

God has continually shown His faithfulness to Tim and his ministry throughout his 25 years at Holly Springs. As the longest tenured pastor in our association, we asked Tim what encouragement and counsel he would give to a young pastor in the ministry. He responded with five points of wisdom:

i. Maintain a faithful devotional time each day

2. Love and take care of your family

3. Work hard to study, pray, minister to your people and

share Jesus with the unsaved

4. Let your congregation know from the pulpit and in personal conversations that you love and appreciate them- do it often!

5. Trust God with the results

We are so thankful for pastors like Tim who are faithfully following the Lord's call on his life. We pray God will continue to work in mighty ways at Holly Springs through Pastor Tim.

### Chain Saw Units Clean Up Tornado Damage

The TRBA Chain Saw Units went out in April to help with clean-up and tree removal in Pumpkintown and Seneca from the tornado damage that occurred on Easter Sunday. We are thankful for the way these men and women are ministering to their community.



# SC Baptist Convention COVID-19 SERVE Community Aid

The South Carolina Baptist Convention is offering a COVID-19 SERVE Community Aid up to \$1,000 Per Church for Community Outreach. South Carolina Baptists have long cooperated in sharing the hope of the Gospel, while also serving the needs of our local communities. The effects of COVID-19 have heightened the need for South Carolina Baptist Churches to come together, to both share and serve. The COVID-19 Serve Community Aid has been established to aid our churches in meeting the specific needs of their communities in meaningful ways. The COVID-19 Serve Community Aid is making \$250,000 available to help our churches respond to these service opportunities. This is why we cooperate! We truly believe we are better together. We also believe that Any Church, Any Size, Any Where can Advance in fulfilling the Great Commission!

To apply, visit <u>www.scbaptist.org/serve-community-aid</u>

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14	Traci Harrison	Locust Hill
14	Joshua Morton	Greer First
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24	David Watson	Slater
25	Mark Cannon	Lake Cooley
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