

# Ridgecrest Baptist Church

*On the GO to Witness Acts 1:8*

## The Ridgecrest

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A wife woke up one morning and said, "Honey, I just had a dream that you bought me a new gold necklace. What do you think it means?" "I don't know, but Valentine's Day is coming soon. Tuesday, you'll know," He replied. A few nights later, she again woke up after having a dream, "This time, I dreamed you gave me a pearl necklace. What do you think it means?" "You'll know Tuesday," He replied. The night before Valentine's Day, she again woke up telling him about her dream, "This time I dreamed that you brought me a diamond necklace. What do you think it means?" "Honey, be patient, you'll know tonight," he said. That evening, the husband came home with a package and gave it to his wife. Delighted, she opened it--to find a book entitled, "The Meaning of Dreams."

I am sure the wife in this story was disappointed by the Valentine gift she received. Her husband did not live up to her expectations of showing his love for her by giving her a gold, pearl or diamond necklace. I am so glad God exceeds our every expectation in demonstrating his love for you and me by giving the greatest gift one could ever receive.

Romans 5:8 says, "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Who could ever ask or dream of a greater love than the love of God? Demonstrate that love to others so they may come to know the salvation found through faith in Jesus.

Blessings to you and yours,  
Bro. Mike

It's hard to believe we are already in February! I want to start by thanking my heavenly Father for calling me into the ministry and the church family for supporting me in the ordination. I can't begin to tell you how special it was to go through an ordination council with men of God that I deeply respect. Men who I call my friends, my role models and who all hold a special place in my heart. It was very special to be surrounded by my family, church family, all of our youth (of whom I am so proud) and all the AWANA kids (who were wondering what they were doing to Mr. Tom). Thank you for helping make that a special moment in my life.

February is a special time of year when we celebrate love. In Matthew 22:37-39 Jesus gives us the great commandments: ... "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."

38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

This month our youth will show their love for God and their neighbors through living their faith and serving. The youth will serve our seniors by hosting the annual I LOVE YOU BANQUET on the 12<sup>th</sup>. They will follow up the next weekend with a mission project at DiscipleNow by joining forces with Community of Hope to throw a block party. They will show Christ's love to their neighbors by providing a meal, fellowshiping with them and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with them!

Please pray for our youth and for those they will serve. Pray that in the month for celebrating love that the lost will come to know the Greatest Love of All!

Blessings,  
Tom

If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God's secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but didn't love others, I would be nothing.

<sup>3</sup> If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; but if I didn't love others, I would have gained nothing. <sup>4</sup> Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud <sup>5</sup> or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. <sup>6</sup> It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. <sup>7</sup> Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through

every circumstance. <sup>8</sup> Prophecy and speaking in unknown languages and special knowledge will become useless. But love will last forever! <sup>9</sup> Now our knowledge is partial and incomplete, and even the gift of prophecy reveals only part of the whole picture! <sup>10</sup> But when the time of perfection comes, these partial things will become useless.


<sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke and thought and reasoned as a child. But when I grew up, I put away childish things. <sup>12</sup> Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely.

<sup>13</sup> Three things will last forever -  
faith, hope, and love -  
and the greatest of these is LOVE.  
1 Corinthians 13:1-13

We are blessed to have so many musically talented young people in our church! On January 8<sup>th</sup>, Amy Cassity and I had the pleasure of hearing three of our students sing with a group called New Song. This choir is made up of auditioned 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders from across the state and is sponsored by the Alabama Baptist State Board of Missions. Our own Hope Corley, Mary Elizabeth Cassity and Jennifer Robin Campbell were among thirty youth that presented a concert at Mount Calvary Baptist Church in Albertville, Alabama. We are quite proud of how hard they worked to learn the music, but more importantly how they are using their musical gifts that God gave them! Please encourage our children and youth to continue using their God-given talents to praise our Lord and Savior through the gift of music.

As I begin my second year as your Children's Minister, I think back on all that I learned this past year. The Lord revealed to me things which helped me grow not only as your children's minister, but also as a Christian. Philippians 4:19 tells me God will supply all of my needs and Hebrews 11:1 reminds me to live by faith, not by sight. It is such a privilege and a blessing being called to serve this great fellowship of believers. May we continue to lift each other up as we praise our Lord together.

In His Service, Susan Campbell



*Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals*

**Adult Meals - \$5.00**  
**Children's Meals - \$3.50**

**Feb 1** - Chicken Tetrazini, Butter Beans, Rolls, Salad & Dessert  
**Feb 8** - Beef Tips and Rice, String Beans, Rolls, Salad, & Dessert  
**Feb 15** - BBQ Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Texas Toast, Salad & Dessert  
**Feb 22** - Salisbury Steak, Cream Potatoes, English Peas, Rolls, Salad & Dessert  
**Feb 29** - Taco Soup, Texas Toast, Salad & Dessert

**Servers**  
**Feb 1** - Linda Nelson & Ethel Weathers  
**Feb 8** - Marianne Harrell, Lorene Jones & Jerry Sims  
**Feb 15** - Luverne Bethay, & Linda Nelson  
**Feb 22** - Tom & Pam Anderson  
**Feb 29** - Linda Nelson & Ethel Weathers

**Collectors**  
**Feb 1** - Merigold Caldwell & Frances Weiss  
**Feb 8** - Linda Nelson & Ethel Weathers  
**Feb 15** - Ray & Carolyn Williams  
**Feb 22** - Edith Hicks & Joyce Taft  
**Feb 29** - Merigold Caldwell & Frances Weiss

**Note:** Please contact Carolyn, 277-0011, or Angie, 320-5179, in advance when not able to serve or collect on your scheduled date.

## From the Library

February is the month that's all about candy, flowers, hearts and love. During this Valentine month, take time to open your heart and show someone how much you care.

During February, the RBC library is offering adults and youth two different activities to make your special month complete.

♥ Each Sunday morning in February, 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., you are invited to visit the library to make a card for a special person, friend or family member. Materials and ideas will be provided.

♥ Each time you visit the library and check out a book, you will receive a secret surprise. Note: One surprise per person, per day.

We hope you will be able to participate in these fun activities during February. And remember to be careful...the arrows from Cupid's quiver could be aimed at you! Happy February!



## Deacon Weekly Schedule

**Feb 5** - Tommy Ratliff, Dale Corley, Walt Wilson, Don Weathers, Dan Jones & Dean Cherry

**Feb 12** - Dale Jones, Greg Lockett, Jim Seale, Phillip Trussell & Kyle Bolling

**Feb 19** - Larry Lynch, E.E. Bracknell, Randy Williams, Joe McDowell, Dale Farris & Tony Lisenby

**Feb 26** - Tommy Ratliff, Dale Corley, Walt Wilson, Don Weathers, Dan Jones & Dean Cherry

## Prayer Room Schedule

**Feb 5** - Kyle Bolling

**Feb 12** - Larry Lynch

**Feb 19** - E. E. Bracknell

**Feb 26** - Randy Williams

## Counting Team Schedule . . .

Feb 6 Dot Casey, Tyson Thompson & Carolyn Williams

Feb 13 Merigold Caldwell, Edith Hicks & Joyce Taft

Feb 21 Betty Brown, Velita McFarland & Marianne Harrell \*\*\* **The 20th is a holiday.**

Feb 27 Sheila Kelley & Judy Wilson

## Friendly Reminders

**Budget & Finance Meeting**

**Feb 19 - 4:00 p.m., Rm 103**

**Deacons Meeting**










**Feb 26 - 4:00 p.m., Rm 301**

**Maxine Moseley W.O.M.**

**Feb. 27 - 9:30 a.m., FLC**



**YOUNG at HEART** Feb. 16th

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>MEN'S BREAKFAST</b></p>  <p><b>Sunday, Feb 19, 8:15 a.m., FLC</b></p>			1	2	3	4 9:00 Girl's Basketball 
5 5:00 Super Bowl Chili Cook Off Donations for Mission Trip  No Evening Service No Awana	6	7 2:00 Grace SS Mtg - FH 3:00 Community of Hope Tutoring	8	9 3:00 Community of Hope Tutoring	10	11 11:00 Girl's Basketball  6:00 Youth Banquet - FH 
12 <b>I ♥ YOU</b> I ♥ U Banquet after am service	13	14 3:00 Community of Hope Tutoring	15	16 10:00 YAH 3:00 Community of Hope Tutoring	17 <b>dnow</b> DiscipleNow Weekend	18 No Basketball <b>dnow</b> DiscipleNow Weekend
19  8:15 Men's B'fast 1:30 Pinewood Derby - Eastern Hills 4:00 Finance Cmt Mtg Rm 103 DiscipleNow Weekend <b>dnow</b>	20 Winter Bible Study 10:00 - FLC	21 Winter Bible Study 10:00 - FLC 3:00 Community of Hope Tutoring	22 Winter Bible Study 10:00 - FLC	23 3:00 Community of Hope Tutoring	24	25 12:00 Girl's Basketball 
26 4:30 Deacon's Mtg Rm 301  Awana Store	27  9:30 Maxine Moseley WOM FLC  State Evangelism Conference - Eastmont Baptist	28  State Evangelism Conference - Eastmont Baptist	29 	<p>"He jumped up, stood on his feet, and began to walk! Then, walking, leaping, and praising God, he went into the Temple with them." Acts 3:8</p> <p><b>LET US STAND UP, LEAP AND PRAISE GOD FOR HIS LOVE FOR US!</b></p>		

## In Sympathy

Ridgecrest expresses Christian love and sympathy to Mickie Cantey, family and friends in the homegoing of John "Jack" Cantey and to the family of Helen McQueen in her homegoing.

Please Continue to pray for our  
Worship Minister Search Committee:  
Melanie Bolling, Pastor Michael  
Cassidy, Anita Ellis, Tony Lisenby and  
Kathie Lynch.

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**The People Came...**

	<b>Jan-1</b>	<b>Jan-8</b>	<b>Jan-15</b>	<b>Jan-22</b>
Sunday Bible Fellowship	133	170	168	164
Sunday School Guests	6	4	7	4
Worship Celebration	151	168	177	169

**The People Gave...**

	<b>Jan-1</b>	<b>Jan-8</b>	<b>Jan-15</b>	<b>Jan-22</b>
Weekly Stewardship Goal	13,417.28	13,417.28	13,417.28	13,417.28
Stewardship Receipts	11,796.98	13,854.71	7,067.30	7,406.30
Other Contributions YTD	13.00	-0-	105.40	105.40
Stewardship Receipts YTD	11,796.98	25,651.69	32,718.99	40,125.29
Expenditures YTD	2,500.00	4,282.94	16,454.78	28,563.21
Stewardship Goal YTD	13,417.28	26,834.57	40,251.85	53,669.13
Designated	-0-	764.55	758.29	634.00

**Worship Times at RBC**

**Sundays:** Sunday School - 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.,  
Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesdays:** Fellowship Meal - 5:00 p.m., Library Opens,  
Children's Choirs & Acteens - 5:30 p.m., Children's Missions,  
Prayer Service, Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, & T.R.U.T.H. - 6:15 p.m.

**Library Hours**

Sunday 9:00 - 9:30 a.m. | 5:00 - 6:15 p.m.  
Wednesday | 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

**Church Librarian:** Mrs. Pat Hope  
**Helpers:** Mrs. Beth Kuykendall, Mrs. Marianne Harrell and Mrs. Theresa Broadway

**Staff**

Ministers.....	Every Church Member
Pastor.....	Dr. Michael Cassity
Interim Minister of Music.....	Dr. Scotty Goldman
Minister of Youth.....	Rev. Tom Smith
Minister of Children.....	Mrs. Susan Campbell
Bookkeeper, Pastor's Ministry Assistant.....	Mrs. Robin Crowe
Ministries' & Education Ministry Secretary.....	Mrs. Carolyn Jones