The Beallwood Beacon

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May 21, 2023 • 10:45 Worship

Prelude Music Beth Williams

Welcome and Announcements Vern Jordin

Recognition of Graduates Kim Rhodes

Alyssa, Achtziger, Jaxon Allen, Haley Edwards

Scripture Reading and Prayer Vern Jordin

Luke 9:57-62

Songs of Worship Congregation

Christ is Enough Shout to the Lord

Offertory Prayer Tommy Williams

Offertory Music Beth Williams

Scripture Reading Scott Rhodes

Acts 6:1-7

Special Music Celebration Choir

Psalm 23, Surely Goodness, Surely Mercy

Song of Praise Congregation

The Heart of Worship

Message Jimmy Blanton

"Who Will Follow Jesus: I would, I should, I could"

Luke 9:57-62

Hymn of Commitment Congregation

I Surrender All

Ministerial Staff:

Jimmy Blanton

Transitional Leader

Vern Jordin

Minister to Sr. Adults 706-615-5212

Scott Rhodes

Minister of Music 706-580-5227

Jason Chuong

Vietnamese Mission Pastor

Amy Miles

Preschool/Children's
Director

For the Record:

May 14, 2023

5/14/23 Bible Study

SS Enrolled: 203 Attendance: 103 Visitors: 11

Financial Statistics

2023 Monthly Budget Needs: \$51,301.00

May: General Offering: \$17,484.77

General Offering: May 14: \$8,117.77

2023 Giving to Capital Improvements Fund: \$100.00 As you look for a new pastor let me share with you how you can be a pastor to your new pastor. Chuck Lawless wrote the following insights about pastors. Your former pastor, Bro Billy, as well as myself and just about every pastor feels these emotions. If you know what we battle, then you may be more open to helping pastors in their down times.

10 Heartaches of Being a Pastor by Chuck Lawless

I make no claim that pastors are perfect people. We mess up. We can be arrogant and uncaring at times. At the same time, though, most pastors I know are genuine, faithful followers of God who love their congregations. They've learned, too, that the work of pastoral ministry often carries heartache with it.

Here are some of those aches:

- 1. We mourn when marriages fall apart. We usually hear both sides of the story, and we're privy to both anguish and sin. Often, we've seen the pain that divorce can cause.
- 2. We hurt when young people make decisions that lead to trouble. None of us wants our church young people to go down paths that could lead to long-term difficulty. Nor can we always stop it, however.
- 3. We occasionally beat ourselves up when our sermon wasn't nearly as strong as we thought it would be. We're usually our own worst critics. And some of us will think for days about how we could have done better.
- **4.** We sometimes grieve the sin of others more than they do. We know we can't bring them to repentance on our own, and it's agonizing to watch them continue toward destruction.
- 5. We ache when our church must carry out <u>church</u> <u>discipline</u>. In all my years of ministry, few situations were as painful as removing a church member who chose to ignore our attempts at guidance and reconciliation. It felt like I had failed in reaching him as his pastor.
- **6.** We struggle when the churches we lead aren't growing. I realize that we can become idolatrous of numbers, but most pastors I know aren't comfortable when the churches they lead are not reaching people.
- 7. We sometimes hurt alone when we see the loneliness and struggles of our families. I'm casting blame on no one here; I'm simply making the point that some <u>pastoral families</u> <u>struggle</u> under the weight of the task—and we keep that struggle to ourselves.
- 8. We quietly grieve funerals for persons who showed no evidence of Christian conversion. We have to lead in those situations, but tears sometimes come in the quiet rooms of our lives.

- 9. We wrestle with loneliness when we don't know how to develop strong friendships. Frankly, I think this problem is more often our issue than our congregation's issue, but it nevertheless can lead to aloneness.
- 10. We often feel guilty even expressing any of these thoughts. Maybe I'm the only pastor who's ever felt these things, but I doubt it—so I use this post to ask for prayer on behalf of all my pastoral colleagues.

Say a prayer for your pastors this weekend.

Jimmy

Sunday, May 21, Worship Schedule

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Livestreamed on facebook.com/ beallwoodbaptist, beallwoodbaptist.org/watch, or youtube.com/beallwoodbc. 5:00 p.m. Church Conference

May 21, Beallwood in Action

Deacon of the Week: Tommy Williams

S.S. Greeters: Dianne Harrison, Paulette Sanders

Ushers: Mike Benson, Billy Nobles, Stephen Noell

Sound/Media: Deb and Jay McLoughlin

Monday, May 22, Counters: Lynn Story, Tonia Williams

Childcare:

Babies/Toddlers: Teresa Farmer, Rosemary Robinson 3's-K: Elizabeth McLoughlin, Norma Mount

Senior Recognition

Please join us today as we honor and encourage our graduates.

Stewardship Team

Today, 4:00 p.m. (S.S. office)

2023 Altar Flowers Ministry

The altar flowers this morning are placed by Tonia Williams and family in honor of Dee Williams on his birthday.

Student Ministry

Youth Mid-Week Wednesday, May 24, 6:00 p.m.

Student Camp/Generate 2023 May 29-June 2 Pray for the camp attendees

Children's Ministry

Children's Summer Program Begins Wednesday, May 24, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

VBS 2023 VBS Leadership Team Tuesday, May 30, 5:30 p.m. (office complex)

Monday - Friday, June 5 - 9, 9:00a.m.-Noon Donations Needed: Capri Sun drinks Register in the main hallway, preschool department, or online

Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 24, 6:45 p.m.

Sound Choices Baby Bottle Boomerang

May 14 - June 18 Be sure to get your bottles today!

"Who Will Follow Jesus: I would, I should, I could" Luke 9:57-62

Introduction

| Jesus turns away from the ar | nd turns to | |
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| Jesus was walking to the place | e of | |
| 1. The first "would be", "should be" and "could | d be" is named vs. 57 | |
| 2. The second "would be", "should be" and "co | ould be" is named vs. 5 | 7-60 |
| 3. The third "would be", "should be" and "cours. 61-62 | ıld be" is named | _ |

Senior Adult Ministry

Fall Jubilee/Gatlinburg TN
September 25-27
Sign up begins *today*!
See Vern for more information

Homebound of the Week

Jean O'Reilly Gardens at Calvary, #309 7595 Moon Road Columbus, GA 31909

Memorial Day

Monday, May 29 the church office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day

Mission Samaria 2023

July 15-21, Habersham County, GA Find the sign-up sheet in the hallway

Hillcrest Ministry Donations:

Items needed: Canned Pasta, Chicken Noodle Soup, Canned Tuna, Canned Corn, Hamburger Helper