

On Top of the World

Sometimes God gives me a chance to see
How it would feel if I could be
On top of the world looking down
The king of this terrestrial mound.

Sitting high on my lofty perch
I view miles of pines, oak, and birch,
Mountains high and higher still,
Yet I am higher than these lofty reels.

I dance with the clouds to a lazy, hazy tune
Of wind, and leaves, and crickets, and loon,
Breath held in by anxious awe
And then I think, “I’m on top of it all!”

But to control all the world would be a task too great,
Except for the One by whom it was made.
Though sometimes He may lift me high above all,
I remember without Him I surely would fall.





So when I think I’m over all of this,
I’m reminded that it really is all His.
To control the world is a task too great
Except for the One by Whom it was made.

- R.T. Aug. 28, 2019 from Blue Ridge Parkway near Asheville

APRIL MEMORY VERSE

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-6

“Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus:
Who, being in the form of God,
thought it not robbery to be equal with God:
but made Himself of no reputation
and took upon Him the form of a servant,
and was made in the likeness of men...”

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE for APRIL 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	THURSDAY	Friday	Saturday
 Morganton Baptist Association is collecting fruit juice and canned fruit for the Palmetto Campus. Gift cards are also appreciated. Collection information: You may drop off your donation at the Association Office or the McCaysville IGA by April 30 .			1 Regular Wednesday schedule	2 PRECEPT 9 am Aerobics 5:30 pm VBS Training 6:30 pm (canceled)	3	4
	5	6	7	8	9	10
 MUSIC CAMP Training 4:00 pm (canceled)	PASSION WEEK (The Story of the Crucifixion)					11
	Aerobics 5:30 pm Small Group Prophecy Study 6:30 pm Deacons' Mtg. 7 pm (postponed)		Regular Wednesday schedule	PRECEPT 9 am Aerobics 5:30 pm		
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19 Hand bells—4 pm	20 Aerobics 5:30 pm Small Group Prophecy Study 6:30 pm	21 Men's Prayer Time Fellowship Hall 6:30 am	22 Regular Wednesday schedule	23 PRECEPT 9 am Aerobics 5:30 pm	24	25 Disaster Relief Training
26	27 Aerobics 5:30 pm Small Group Prophecy Study 6:30 pm	28	29	30	 MAY 8 5:30 PM A/Y CENTER	

SPRING WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun.	9:30 am	Sunday Bible Study
	10:45 am	Morning Worship
	4:00 pm	Handbell Practice
	6:00 pm	Evening Worship
Wed.	3:30 pm	Painting with a Purpose (1st grade & up)
	5:00 pm	Dinner is served
	5:30 pm	Grades 1-6 Kids in the Word, Children's Choir, Children in Action
		Age 3—Kindergarten
		Bible Time/Preschool Choir
		Youth Bible Study—A/Y Center
		Prayer Meeting/Adult Bible Study
	5:45-7 pm	ESL Class
	7:15 pm	Adult Choir Practice
Thurs.	9:00 am	Precepts

DEACON OF THE WEEK

5	TONY NELSON
12	LARRY WIETHOP
19	CECIL ANDERSON
26	BOB BRADY


CHURCH SERVICE SECURITY

SHAN CULPEPPER
WILLIAM STONE
LARRY DYER
Mike George

APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Blessings on Your Special Day!

2	Leon Cripe		
3	Barbara Snodgrass		
4	Jerry Gordon		
6	David Morgan	Jean Moody	Jedidiah Thomas
9	Bob Cardwell		
12	Brittany Place Mashburn	Debbie Jones	
13	Jan Eaton	Betty Thomas	Benjamin Lane Thigpen
14	Justus James Thomas		
19	Layne Prather		
21	Shan Culpepper		
22	April Ford		
23	Bob Gumaer		
27	Cortney Stuart	Jennifer Taylor	
29	Sibbie Couch	James Kinser	
30	Genene George		



VOLUNTEERS

VBS & MUSIC CAMP

TRAINING SESSIONS

HAVE BEEN CANCELED.

**Pat will keep you informed
by text or email.**

*BRFBC family extends condolences
to the family of*
Mr. Garnet Dale
(September 18, 1936—March 10, 2020)
and
Mr. Martin Johns
(March 15, 2020)
*May our Lord bless and comfort you
during this time of grief.*

LOOKING AHEAD

April 6—10—PASSION WEEK (The Story of the Crucifixion)
May 8—SECRET CHURCH—FBC Activity Center—5:30 pm
May 17—Graduate Recognition Day
May 23—Arts in the Park
May 30-June 5—Puerto Rico Mission Trip

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Who would have thought that this time last month we would be in a world wide pandemic. It seems that everywhere we look and everything we listen to is full of fear, anxiety, and uncertainty. As believers in Christ, we must trust and look to our Lord with the faith of Job when he said, "I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted. (Job 42:2) No disease, no distress, or no amount of distancing can stop the plan of our God. When we face troubling times and unknown circumstances, we look for the Father's hand at work all around us. As April begins, we turn our focus on Christ's walk to His death, burial, and resurrection. As Jesus is praying to His Father in the garden, He makes the statement in Luke 22:42 "Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done." William Gurnall in his book, *The Christian in Complete Armor*, had this to say about Jesus' faithfulness to trust the Father. "Jesus could drink the cup of wrath for us, because it was the hand of God that was holding the cup. All He had to do was focus on the Father's hand while He trusted the Father's plan."

Christian, rest assured in these days that God is in control and as He has done in the past, He will do again. His Church and His Kingdom will prevail. Trust the Father.

Praying for you and I miss seeing you, so until we meet again,
Pastor Bob