

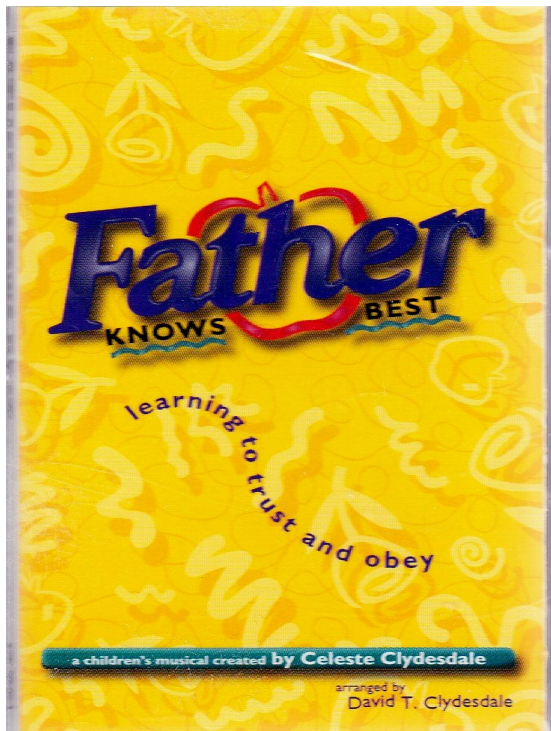


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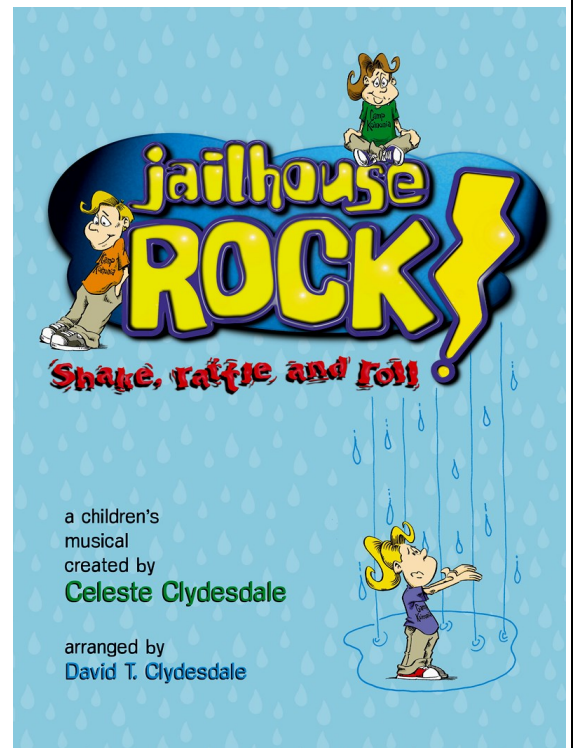
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*Presented by the
1st - 3rd Grade Choir
with a special musical
presentation by the
Preschool Choir
Sunday, May 6
6:00 p.m.*

*Presented by the
4th-6th Grade Choir
Sunday, May 20
6:00 p.m.
Church-wide Social
after the Program*



CHRIST C.A.N. OFFERING

An offering will be received at the conclusion of the 8:30 and 11:00 services on Sunday, April 29.

Please make checks payable to "Sunset Avenue Baptist Church" and designate C-C.A.N. on your check and/or envelope.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies – in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."

1 Peter 4: 10 – 11

As we begin preparation for service for a new church, please prayerfully seek God's will on how you can serve our local church, and bring Him glory. If there is a specific area that you believe you are being led to serve in, please contact Donna Tinsley, chairman, or any of the members of the nominating committee. Members from the nominating committee will be contacting the church family seeking volunteers to serve in various ministries, ranging from working with our very youngest family members, to serving our senior saints. Please consider where you can joyfully plug in to serve Our Lord.



YOUR CHOICE PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

Baby bottles filled with cash, coins and/or checks—that's the Baby Bottle Blessing campaign. Each year thousands of dollars raised from the Campaign supports the life changing work of meeting the physical and spiritual needs of women and men facing unplanned pregnancies and their babies. You are also reaching out to thousands of students through our Worth Waiting 4! Program.

WILL YOU HELP US? HERE'S ALL YOU NEED TO DO!

1. Take a bottle(s) on Mother's Day
2. Fill it with cash, coins and/or checks
3. Return it to the church on Father's Day

OUR NURSERY IS GROWING!!

Our Church is being blessed with a wave of new Babies in the nursery. Because of this we need more nursery workers. We are looking for people who can help by serving once every two months on our nursery rotation and also are looking for a Sunday School teacher who can serve every other month for our crawlers class. Please contact Shari Carter or David Stanford if you can serve in either capacity.

The Pastor's Pen...

Let me share with you some things that are upcoming in the next few weeks here at SABC.

Operation Joseph

Three times a year, in January, May, and September, we collect a financial offering for the people of Venezuela. If you keep up with world affairs, you know that a corrupt leader has run this beautiful country into the ground. People are literally starving to death. Our "Joseph" is Pastor Alberto, a native Venezuelan whom God brought to us, in part, so that he could be a channel through which we could share our plenty with those in Venezuela who have so little. All proceeds go to purchase and ship food there. Already, we have seen needs met, souls saved, and new groups/churches started as God has used your generosity to bring honor to Himself. I encourage you to give as God leads. Make checks out to SABC and note "Operation Joseph" on them. The deadline to give is the end of May.

National Day of Prayer

The annual NDOP is Thursday, May 3rd. All of us can see that our beloved country is in great need of prayer for God to change our direction and heal our land (2 Chr. 7:14). As we do annually, we will participate with believers in our area in two prayer opportunities. At noon, we will gather downtown at the Turnage building to pray. And that evening at 7:00 we will meet at the Dunn Center on the campus of Wesleyan College to pray. I encourage you to be a part of one or both of these prayer opportunities.

Summer Deeper Groups

Last summer, we moved our Deeper Groups into homes for ten weeks. The results were impressive, not only in terms of numbers who participated but in the testimonies of how God moved in many lives during those weeks. The home environment was used by God to take many people deeper in their faith. Because of that success, we will repeat that summer schedule this year. This schedule will commence on Sunday night, June 10 and conclude on Sunday night, August 19. In the coming weeks, you will be receiving information about how to sign up. I hope that you will participate. And even though we will not have traditional Sunday night worship during these weeks, there will be a Deeper Group that meets here on campus in our Fellowship Hall on those Sunday nights. I will be the primary leader of this on-campus group. So you can choose to be in a home group or you can be a part of the on-campus group. Either way, I hope you will sign up when the time comes and "go deeper" with us this summer.

I wanted to thank you again for your faithful giving to this year's Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. You gave over \$40,000! I love this congregation's heart for missions. It is my high honor to be the Senior Pastor of such a wonderful church. I love you all.

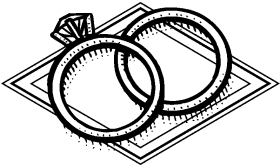
Yours and His,

Pastor Robin

Congratulations to Our Graduates

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY, June 3

Graduates will be recognized during the 11:00 worship service on June 3. Please contact Neil Woodcock (nwoodcock@sabaptist.org) by Sunday, May 28 if you will graduate from high school or college this year.



*Together with their families,
Kristina Gilmore and
Jeremy Lucas
invite you to celebrate
their wedding*

*Saturday, June 2nd 2018
at 2 o'clock in the afternoon in the SABC sanctuary.
Reception to immediately follow in the
New Fellowship Hall*

*You are invited to a
church wide baby shower
in honor of Emily & Chad
Williamson
Sunday, June 3
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.*



*Emily and Chad are not registered for gifts yet,
so please check with them for gift ideas*

SPORTS CAMP AT KING'S WAY

**June 5 - 7
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

We will be hosting a Sports Camp at King's Way this year. Those interested in volunteering or desiring more information, please contact David Stanford (dstanford@sabaptist.org)

THANK YOU

*Thank you so much for all the cards, flowers, notes of encouragement that we received after the death of our mom, Fannie Unrue. The benevolence committee provided a delicious meal after her service which gave us time to sit down and visit with family members from out of town. You all are such a blessing and encouragement to us. We couldn't have a better church family.
Bob, Sarah and family*

*We thank God for the opportunity that He gave to us to come to this country and find people with beautiful hearts that have helped us during this difficult time. Thank you for all of your prayers and support for our family. We are deeply grateful to the Lord and this church.
The Padron - Gonzalez Family*

*SABC,
I continue to be comforted and encouraged by the tremendous outpouring of God's love you have shown me and my family after the loss of my sister, Becky, in February. I especially thank you for your intercessory prayers for me and my family. I continue to feel God carry me through the difficult days, comforted by the reminder of the Hope and Joy that comes only from our Lord. Know that I am thankful to God for each of you, my church family and friends, and also know that God has used each of you in a mighty way to remind me of His love, comfort, strength and peace.
Praising Him always,
Lisa Williams and family*

OPERATION JOSEPH

Operation Joseph is an on-going ministry of Sunset Avenue Baptist Church. Pastor Alberto has posted testimonies from our brothers and sisters in Venezuela on Sunset Friends Facebook page. Not only are physical needs being met but spiritual needs are being met also as people are coming to Christ through this mission effort. Praise God! The deadline for receiving donations to purchase food for Venezuela is Sunday, May 27, 2018. Checks should be made out to SABC with a note for Operation Joseph. Cash should be placed in an envelope and marked Operation Joseph and left in the church office or put in the church offering plate. *Please do not donate food items or products.*

Prayer Concerns

Carmen Alvarez ~ David Blackmon ~ Robert Blanton ~ Albert & Pat Boone ~ David Bryan ~ Libby Bunn ~ Marshall Campbell ~ Evelyn Carlisle ~ Jim Cary ~ Makenna Carter ~ Norma Castillo ~ Larry Corbett ~ Frances Daughtridge ~ Betty Sue Davis ~ Pam Davis ~ Ivan & Yvonne Dickerson ~ Ambler Dixon ~ Phyllis Edwards ~ Curtis Emigh ~ Theresa English ~ Jeff Godwin ~ Miguel & Maribel Gonzalez ~ Mary Goodwin ~ Casen Guy ~ Garrett Franklin Hawks ~ Bury & Cathy Hendricks ~ Rebecca High ~ Jake Hoggard ~ Pam Jenkins ~ Craig Johnson ~ Bobby Little ~ Dorothy Matthews ~ Phyllis May ~ Bill & Judy McDaniel ~ Adam McRae ~ Steve Pernell ~ John Powell ~ Cliff Rose ~ Hilda Rosser ~ Teresa Sadlosky ~ Carolyn Shearin ~ Jody Shearon ~ Jessie Dean Taylor ~ Linda Mae Tyson ~ Garry Ward, Jr. ~ Virginia Ward ~ Georgia Wilson ~ Jeanne Woodley ~ Wade Woodley, III ~ King's Way Ministry ~ Stone Gate Ministry ~ Boston Partnership ~ South Asia Partnership ~ A Place of Grace Ministry ~ Hispanic Church ~ GriefShare Ministry ~ The Ecuador Mission Team (April 24-May 1) ~ The Family of Millie Bryan ~ The Family of Jack and Nellie Meeks (Melissa Bridges' aunt & uncle) ~ The Family of Johnny Sumner ~ The Family of Tyler Ledford (Frances Daughtridge's great-grandson) ~ The Family of Robert Tyson

In order to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for four weeks (unless otherwise requested).

JUNE NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

*Any information that you wish to have published
in the May newsletter should be emailed to
ccollie@sabaptist.org by noon on
Thursday, May 24th.*

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER,
CALENDAR & "THOSE SERVING" SCHEDULE**
are now available on the church website: sabaptist.org

ECUADOR MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

Teams will be travelling to Ecuador on the
following dates in 2018:

July 24 - July 31

October 23 - October 30

If you are interested in joining one or more of these
teams, please contact Fletcher or Ruby Dickerson,
Pastor Alberto or Bob Unrue for details.

ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES OUTREACH

We plan to join with our friends at ALM on
Saturday, April 28 at 12:00 to assist them in sharing
the love of Christ in our city by going door-to-door
to invite people to church and to pray for them as
opportunities arise. We will meet at the Falls Road
campus of ALM at noon.

April 1, 2018 - April 22, 2018

Attendance Totals

	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>Hispanic 11:00</u>
1	252	No Service	352	Not Available
8	244	102	218	28
15	241	105	219	15
22	223	113	199	20

Membership Additions in 2018

By Baptism	0
By Transfer or Statement of Faith	1

April 1, 2018 - April 22, 2018

Giving Totals

	<u>Offering Received</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Total Received</u>
1	\$ 22,336.00	\$ 11,935.91	\$ 34,271.91
8	\$ 22,724.62	\$ 14,095.00	\$ 36,819.62
15	\$ 13,038.60	\$ 3,267.00	\$ 16,305.60
22	\$ 21,676.50	\$ 2,407.50	\$ 24,084.00

Year to Date Budget through April 22, 2018

<u>Required</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$348,428.96	\$301,162.81	\$[47,266.15]