



The Lake Harbour Herald

April 4, 2010



From Pigg's Pen...

THE "EASTER TRANSLATION"

The King James Version of the Bible could be called the "Easter Translation" because in 1611 one of the instructions that King James gave to the translators was not to change any of the accepted terms found in previous English translations. Since the word "Easter" was the "customary" rendering of Acts 12:4 in other translations prior to the KJV, it was incorporated in this venerable version. However, the original Greek word is simply "Passover" translated as such 29 other times in the NT. "Easter" is, therefore, an unfortunate mistranslation. The majority of translations since the KJV have the correct rendering of "Passover." Passover, including the Feast of Unleavened Bread, was an annual, eight-day, Jewish religious festival that was commanded by God that commemorated Israel's exodus out of Egyptian slavery. By applying the blood of a lamb over their doorpost, their firstborn sons were spared death when God brought the 10th and final plague on every home in Egypt. Passover was observed in the month of Nisan on the Jewish calendar which corresponds to our March or April. In the context of Acts 12:4, the Roman King Agrippa had already killed the apostle James and intended to do the same with Peter, but wanting to please the Jews and since this was during the days of "Unleavened Bread" (v. 4), he waited until "after Passover" (v. 4).

The translation of "Easter" in the KJV has led some to suppose that the early church was already, in Herod's time, having special services of celebration of Easter time, as is the custom of most denominational churches in our day. The facts are, however, no such "once-a year-Sunday-religious-festival" celebrating the resurrection of Christ as Easter on the 1st Sunday following spring was observed in the early church. In the NT and for centuries following, Christians did not celebrate with a special religious service in honor of Jesus' resurrection on one particular Sunday of the year—they celebrated His resurrection by participating in the Lord's Supper every Lord's Day. The LHD church of Christ, in following the commandments of Christ himself in the Gospels (Mt. 26:26ff; Mk. 14:22ff; Lk. 22:18) and seeking to restore the practice of the early church (Acts 2:42ff, 20:8; 1 Cor. 11:17ff), do not prepare a pre-Easter religious program or promote an all-out Easter musical or drama production. Although believers may differ in our opinions about engaging in the children activities of the Easter Holiday, we ought to be united in following the pattern of NT worship every First Day of the Week by our faithful participation in the Lord's Supper and other acts of worship such as giving, singing, praying and studying God's Word as His church family.

Certainly there can be no wrong in children studying in Bible classes, our singing songs, or preaching a Gospel sermon about the resurrection of Christ during the "Easter" season. But why have special religious services "only" at this time of the year simply because it is a common practice of most denominations? Why should we follow the traditions of men in the 21st century and not follow the simple teachings, practices and emphasis of Christ, his apostles and the early church in the 1st century? I am thankful to be apart of a congregation that does not seek to conform to conventional religious trends and traditions, but stands fast on the truths of God's Word. If you are searching for such a church, we want to encourage you to let it be known by indicating your interest in talking to one of our ministers or having further Bible study about the church of Christ on our green registration cards in the pew in front of you and dropping it in the collection plate. May God bless each of us as we faithfully worship together on this Sunday in every avenue of worshipful service, but especially as we commune in the Lord's Supper and commemorate our Lord's glorious resurrection.

**Attendance & Contribution Record
For The Week of 03-28-10**

A.M. Classes / Avg.	135 / 134
A.M. Worship / Avg.	174/ 198
P.M. Worship / Avg.	148/ 119
Wed. Classes / Avg.	115/ 124
Offering	\$6,006.79
YTD Average	\$5,879.68
Budget	\$6,000.00
Total Commitment	\$539,182.00
Building Fund (TTD)	\$165,174.36

Growth Goal in 2010 is 210

ASSIGNMENTS

Prepare Communion:

April: Bill & Coleen Sowell
May: Eddie & Bevilyn Perkins



Attend Nursery:

April 4: Virginia Hamblin &
Katheryn Hamblin



April 11: Lori Ivey &
Becky Blalock



UMC Playroom:
TBA

MISSIONS

Fishers of Men

MAGNOLIA MESSENGER
San Miguel de Allende, Mexico
Jerry Bates - World Evangelism
J.C. Enlow - Global Missions
Terry Martin - South Africa
Rocco Pierce - Pacific Islands
GOSPEL BROADCASTING
NETWORK GBNTV.org
IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY
Jackson Ch. 18, Sun. 8 a.m. / Tues. 8
p.m.
Act Ch. 98, Tues. 8:00 p.m. / Thurs.
8:00 p.m.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Murline Winfield, Geraldene Lambert, Danny Magee, Morgan Jones, Joyce Saucier, Chey & Dawn Johnson, the family of Martha Holleman, Chad Daniels, Ken Evans (Joyce Windham's brother-in-law), Jerry Blaylock, Pauline Blaylock (Jerry's mother), Henry Killeen, Justin Carter (Iraq), Paula Jean Junk, & Latrina George

OUR SHUT INS

Nellie Murray, Lucy Pate, Joy Riggs,
Ronnie Hampton, Frances Stogner, George Jefferson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VISITORS: Please be sure to get your free copies of the two books located in the foyer: *THE GLORY AND AGONY OF THE CROSS* and *INTO THE ABUNDANT LIFE*.

PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, & VISITORS: For your convenience, LHD has prepared a cry room for your babies which is upstairs overlooking the auditorium.

MEMBERS: We have had several Bibles left in & around the building. They have been gathered up & placed in the resource room. Please pick them up.

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Charlene Beal-4/2, James Edmon-4/5

Kim Wilson-4/10, Harold Hall-4/11

Aniah Hall-4/16, Barbara George-4/17

Jasmine Smith-4/18,

Ronnie Hampton, Lisa Miller, Danny Spain-4/19

Beth Tody, Martha Weston-4/23

David Moss-4/24, Curtis Taft-4/25, David Hamblin-4/27

Chey & Dawn Johnson-4/14

Marion & Margaret Freeman-4/16

David & Cassandra Moss-4/22

John & Beth Pigg-4/23

YOUTH NEWS

Those of you who were not able to make it last Sunday night, really missed out on an encouraging assembly. **Roderick Jones, Jr., Stephen Lum, Cameron Magee, Trayon George, Jr., Harold Hall, Jr., & Christian Young** led our evening assembly, and ALL of the these young men did an outstanding job!

Congratulations to all of the LLL participants on an excellent showing of their talents.

We also had our annual Easter Egg Hunt! I'd like to thank the young adult class for taking on this responsibility. We give a special thank you to **Johnny Sisco, Dawn Jones & Nancy Young** for taking the initiative to see the Egg Hunt through.

UPCOMING EVENTS

LLL Celebration (TBA)

Pathways Youth Rally (Teens)
S. Huntington Street Church, Kosciusko,
MS
April 10

Spring Retreat @ SLCC
May 7-9

Senior Day
May 23

Privileged to Serve in the Assembly

Please meet in the library for prayer and line up by 10:20 A.M.

This Week

Sunday, April 4, A.M.

Announcements: Ron Morgan
Ushers: Jordon Young
Sebastian Stokes
Scripture: Kreg Garner
Song Director: David May
Opening Prayer: L.C. Reese
Lord's Table:
(Presiding) John Proctor
Jimmy Braggs
Joe Blalock
Richard Watkins
Closing Prayer: Dusty Reynolds

Sunday, April 4, P.M.

Announcements: David Hamblin
Song Director: Greg Palmer
Opening Prayer: Robin Crocker
Lord's Table:
(Presiding) John Proctor
Jimmy Braggs
Closing Prayer: Kevin Kennedy

Wednesday, April 7, P.M.

Song Director: Tony Wilburn
Closing prayer: Brian Winfield

Next Week

Sunday, April 11, A.M.

Announcements: Eddie Perkins
Ushers: Christian Young
Carl Young
Scripture: Trayon George, Jr.
Song Director: Greg Palmer
Opening Prayer: Ollie Hamblin
Lord's Table:
(Presiding) Ron Morgan
Curtis Taft
Tony Wilburn
Andy Tody
Closing Prayer: Morris Houston

Sunday, April 11, P.M.

Announcements: L.C. Reese
Song Director: Greg Palmer
Opening Prayer: David Hamblin
Lord's Table:
(Presiding) Carl Young
Christian Young
Closing Prayer: Ellis Daniel

Wednesday, April 14, P.M.

Song Director: John Proctor
Closing prayer: James Edmon

If you are unable to serve,
please contact Bill Sowell at
601-927-5165 or Johnny Sisco
at 601-941-5139.



A.M. SERMON BY AL FRANKS

EDITOR OF THE *MAGNOLIA MESSENGER*

Notes: _____

SINGING EMPHASIS LED BY

JOHN PROCTOR



DEVO BY DANNY SPAIN

NURSERY AVAILABLE FROM BIRTH-2 YRS OLD.

PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE.

ELDERS

- Marion Freeman** 601.859.6836
- Morris Houston** 601.829.3611
- Marlin Ivey** 769.251.0136
- L.C. Reese** 601.832.2004
- Bill Underwood** 601.992.5167

DEACONS

- Tim Beyea** (Buildings & Grounds)
- Terrance Freeman** (Ladies' Ministry)
- Trayon George** (Bereaved / Greeters / Hospital / Sick)
- Danny Magee** (Young Adults / Singing Emphasis)
- Eddie Perkins** (Evangelism / Missions)
- John Proctor** (Senior Saints)
- Bill Sowell** (Worship / Nursery)
- Freddie Williams** (Care Groups / Fellowship / Library)

TIMES OF SERVICE

- Sunday Classes** 9:30 a.m.
- Morning Worship** 10:30 a.m.
- Evening Worship** 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Classes** 7:00 p.m.

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