February 14, 2016 The Pentecostals 2950 South N

2950 South Memorial Drive, Greenville, NC

757-3033

CHURCH SCHEDULE: Sunday School 10:00 AM

Evening Worship 7:00 PM

> Bible Study Wednesday

Bible Study- *The Purpose Driven Life at 7:00 P.M.* 

Prayer Meeting Saturday 7:00 PM

"You are the light of the world.

A city built on a hill cannot be hid.

No one after lighting a lamp puts it under a bushel basket, but on a lamp stand, and it gives light to all in the house" (Matthew 5:14-15).

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths" (Proverbs 3:5-6).

## **February**

Faith Promise- \$1893 Building Fund- \$165 CFC- \$5000

Do you want to read more from The Lattereign?
Follow it online at lattereign7.com.

## **Striving for Excellence**

What does it mean to "strive for excellence"? In everything that we set out to accomplish in our walk with the Lord through ministry, or in our personal lives, it means to always give more than expected. You will never know the full impact of the seemingly small contributions that you give by faith to help others.

Giving includes not only financial sacrifices, but also the gift of time and skills that you have acquired. To be truly acceptable a gift should be offered with a humble and right spirit. If you cringe every time someone asks you to do something that seems unimportant or mundane, it's time to go back to the word of God and read that "God loveth a cheerful giver." It is the cheerful giver who will gain the attention of God.

The selfless people who never question or allow pride to lead them to rebel against authority have a great reward in heaven. They know the heart of a servant and understand the value of laying up treasures in heaven.

Although I've not completed the work that the Lord has called me to do or reached my goal of excellence, I'm striving to get closer than I've ever been before. We may never reach perfection in

OIT'S NOT MY JOB.

© LET THE PASTOR DO IT.

© IT NEVER WORKED BEFORE.

© WE MIGHT OFFEND SOMEONE.

© WE DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES.

© WE'RE FINE THE WAY WE ARE.

© LET'S CALL A MEETING.

"That concludes my presentation on time-tested, sure-fired statements that will stunt church growth. Any Questions?"

this flawed world in which we live, but wherever we are, and whatever circumstance we may find ourselves in, let's always try to strive for excellence. We will make mistakes; we will disappoint those who have put their confidence and trust in us; we will go through seasons when life seems a mystery and times when we question God about who is in control of the universe.

When we learn to carry our concerns to the Lord and allow him to give us rest, we can have assurance that he, indeed, has control of the universe. Everything that is happening to us: the roadblocks, the strife are, by design, tools used to strengthen us and to shape and prepare us for the future.

When we strive for excellence at all times, we learn to forgive ourselves. We may miss the mark, but we never quit trying to move forward. If we stumble and fall, we pray and ask for forgiveness, realizing that it is Satan who is the accuser of the brethren. We learn to keep moving; today is a brand new day to get up and continue to reach for our place in the Lord where there will be a hope eternal. We have another opportunity to give.

I want to hear those words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." How about you? Thank you for being a part of the body of Christ, today.

Give him praise. gm



"I love them that love me and those that seek me early will find me" (Proverbs 8:17).

## POG: PURPOSE-POWER!

PASTOR'S PRAYER PARTNERS: Sundays at 9:45 a.m.. PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: Thirty minutes before services. THE HOUR OF POWER: Saturday from 7:00-8:00 p.m. BIBLE STUDY: Wednesday night, 7:30 p.m. (The first six weeks we'll meet at 7:00 p.m.).

TWA: 200 Contacts: 65 Visitors: 6 **Bible Studies: 8 Holy Ghost: Baptized: 2** 

> Trust God! Church Growth. Faith, Family Finances. Commitment

Mission Statement: The Pentecostals of Greenville is an Apostolic church. We are committed to exalt Jesus Christ: to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth; to proclaim the gospel; to evangelize our community; to minister to people's needs & to provide a spiritual atmosphere of fellowship and growth.

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint" (Isaiah 40:31).

**Ladies Conference** is March 10-11th at Lake Junaluska. Pre-registration is due 3/1. Register online(nclc2016.eventbrite.com) or pay church by 2/28. Information is at the front tables.



Yes, that's me, flying on the SS Hallelujah.

As the song says,

"I believe I can fly I believe I can touch the sky I think about it every night and day Spread my wings and fly away

I believe I can soar I see me running through that open door I believe I can fly ..."

It takes faith to believe that no matter what obstacle you are facing you can still do the will of God. We had an amazing time at the Valentine's Banquet Friday night, and then the Marriage and Family Seminar from 6-8 on Saturday. Get ready for more this morning as Dr. Blash is preaching.

It was all spectacular: the décor, the food, the entertainment, and our guest speaker, Dr. Blash. I'm glad that we set sail this year.

Until next Time. Willie



## February Birthdays:

Malachi Carlton 2 Betty Moseley 12 Tiffany Edwards

16 Wesley Laurin 17 Amanda Savage

22 Travis Kenerly

23 Stephen Johnson

24 Ruby Roberson

26 Robert Williams

27 Brad Manka

27 Felicia Johnson

28 Norwood Still

If you have a birthday to add, Let us know; Call 341-3437.