

February Birthdays

2/16 Zoey Friedler
2/17 DJ Smith
2/21 Jake Wahlenmeier
2/21 Cole Wahlenmeier
2/24 Jerry Parkerson
2/25 Clint Sledge
2/26 Maddy Cagle
2/26 Hannah Marie

Anniversaries

2/15 Steve & Joy Thomas
2/25 Will & Jenni
Wyzykowski

Deacon/Security Rotation

Feb 23 Jerry Parkerson
Mar 02 Jacob Thomas
Mar 09 Steve Thomas

Nursery Rotation

Feb 23 Deena Simmons & Hannah Marie
Mar 02 Jenni Wyzykowski & Helper
Mar 09 Melissa Shirey & Robin Buchanan

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Our Mission:

Here at FRBC we want to help people to KNOW God personally, GROW in the Lord spiritually, And SHOW God to others in word and action

Think on These Things

One of my favorite Psalms begins: "Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for **He is good! For His mercy endures forever.**" (Psalm 107:1) It continues in verses 2 and 3 by saying, "Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy, and gathered out of the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south." I love this!

God is always good and for that man should always give thanks. If it ever seems that God is not good, it is because of a misconception on our part; goodness is an irremovable, inseparable, and integral part of His character and makeup. God could no more cease being good than the universe could cease being vast; in fact, the universe would cease being vast far sooner than God could ever cease being good. Not only is He good, but His mercy endures (don't miss this) **forever!**

The fact that God gives us what we don't deserve (mercy) and doesn't give us what we do deserve (eternal punishment) should cause us to drop to our knees in grateful thanksgiving to Him. Think about it: God loves us so much that He redeemed us with the blood of His One and Only Son, because He knew (knows) that we could never redeem (pay a debt in full) ourselves, no matter how much we may try or how sincere we may be. God redeemed us from the hand of an enemy far greater and more powerful than any human adversary or enemy army; He has redeemed us from the hand of *the* enemy, that fallen angel Lucifer, aka Satan.

About this enemy we know a good deal: he is cunning, deceitful, devious, a murderer, the father of lies, one who walks about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour, one who masquerades as an angel of light, and one whom we should definitely not underestimate. Another thing we know about him: he is powerful and mighty; **but God** is All-Powerful and *the Almighty*. One further thing to always remember about our enemy: he is a defeated foe and his eternity is assured (see **Rev 20:10**). Praise God that the eternity of those who have put our faith and trust in Him is also assured: everlasting life with Him (**John 3:16; John 10:28-30; Rev 22:5!**)

Before leaving this Psalm, I would like to point out the following verses, repeated four times each and more or less verbatim: "*Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and He delivered them out of their distresses*" (**6,13,19,28**); also "*Oh, that men (people) would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!*" (**8,15,21,31**). Praise God for His deliverance! Thank God for His goodness and for His wonderful works toward us each and every day! "*Let the redeemed of the LORD say so...*" Thank You, Sir!

Some things to think about as we go about our week.

Love, prayers, and blessing,

Trace

this week at FRBC

SUNDAY (FEB 23)

- Sunday School.....9:30a
- Morning Worship.....10:45a
- Children's Church
- H.O.P.E. ESL.....5:00p
- GriefShare Begins.....5:00p

WEDNESDAY (FEB 26)

- Adult Bible Study.....6:30p
- I220 Youth Group.....6:30p
- Journey Kids - Explorers

upcoming events

"I Love Rockridge" Month

For the entire month of February we will be showing our support for Camp Rockridge in Franklin, GA.

MAR 02

Churchwide Fellowship & Devotion.....9:30am

MAR 08

FRBC Thrift Store.....8:00a - 12:00p