

Pastor's Corner

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord,

Well it looks as if spring is here. As the dark clouds and cold days of winter pass, let us rejoice and give thanks to the Lord for bringing us through to enjoy another season. We have much to be thankful for as a community. On March 16th, we came together and celebrated the baptism of 4 new Christians. What a wonderful and joyous time. Let's not forget that we promised to continue to pray and nurture these young Christians in the faith so that they may continue to grow spiritually. I hope you were able to make it to our Easter Sunrise Service. The Church was full. I believe somewhere between 220 and 235 were in attendance. What a blessing to gather for worship and then to break bread together. In the early church, sharing together in a love feast (community meal) was very much a part of worship in the church.

I look forward to April and all that we have going on. April is BBQ month and Ebenezer provides the best BBQ in the county. Not only is it good food, but taking the proceeds to give to those with medical needs, is a wonderful service in the name of Christ.

I want to encourage each of us to go out this month and invite others to visit and worship with us. I truly believe that God has great things in store for this church and his people. I am excited to be a part of this fellowship. My family and I have been blessed many times over by the outpouring of love that this church has shared with us. When I go out into the community I see so many who are in need of a listening ear, a kind smile, and a place that they can come and feel loved and be able to find God. Ebenezer is that place. Let us go into the highways and by ways and seek those in need and bring them to worship with us. But let us not forget to keep our family in mind. Take a look down your pew and if the person that is there every Sunday is not there, give them a call. There may be something going on in their lives, that they may need prayer for. So often we forget the faithful and overlook someone in need. Let's make it a point to get to know one another and encourage one another as we grow spiritually. A simple call or card that lets someone know you care is important. Sunday school classes, look at your rolls and if someone has missed several Sundays, send them a card, give them a call, let them know you care. We all just want to know someone cares. My prayer is that at the end of April we can again have a baptism service and once again celebrate what God is doing to change lives.

Peace, Rev. Eric Lane – April 2008

