

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

JEH Nursing Home:  
Jean Ferguson, Catherine Loadholt, Rose Manuel, Buddy Craddock  
Tyler Rest More Home—139 Seminole Dr. Orangeburg, SC 29115 Claudine Mitchel  
OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:  
Pvt. Sara Armstrong U.S. Army, Lt. Commander Joseph Dyches Jr., Major Lindi Kirkland-US Air Force

Friends & Family:  
Raymond Bennett, Paula Billingsley, Peggy Boleman, Shelli Beach, Leigh Brabham, Jo Ann Brabham, Oranne Brunson, Katie Champagne, Larry Cribb, Joyce Davis, James Deer, Michael & Martha Ann Donahue, Charlie Drawdy, Ralph & Elaine Elliott, Carrie Grubbs, Todd Grubbs, Linda Kears, Betty Jean Kinard, Lib Loadholt, Lisa Mole, Doug Monts, Jean Morris, Kenny Morris, David Murphy, Rhett Oswald, Frankie Padgett, Chris & Tammy Page, Ralph Payne, Lizzie Porter, Reid Porter Jr., Dr. Raman, Shirley Robinson, Stan Sibley, Libby Smith, Steve Sullivan, Elaine & Jerel Teems, Jan & Glory Thomas, Jean Thomas, Bobby & June Thomas, Debra & Sara Beth Thomas, Tina Tuten, Kim Trabue, J W Wall, Keitha Walls, David & Marsha Ann Wiley, Sherry Williams, Elbert Windham, W. K. & Elese Windham, Billy Woolridge, Jule Young, Janice Zissette, Charlie Young.



“Strongholds”

*Therefore I also said, “I will not drive them out before you; but they shall be thorns in your side, and their gods shall be a snare to you.”*  
-Judges 2:3

God gave the Israelites specific instructions: Drive the Canaanites out of every corner of the land, and obliterate any vestige of their abominable idol worship. This assignment was challenging! Their enemies had formidable chariots. The Canaanites had seemingly impregnable fortresses that were dangerous and difficult to overcome. The Israelites failed to drive all the Canaanites from the land. Much about the Canaanite lifestyle and religion appealed to the Israelites’ sinful nature. Rather than destroying them and their idolatry, Israel compromised. The Canaanites would prove to be a troublesome distraction to the Israelites. Their idol worship would present a constant temptation.

When you became a Christian, God declared war on sin's strongholds in your life. Sinful behaviors and attitudes were firmly entrenched in your character, but God commanded you to tear them down. The Holy Spirit pointed out areas of your life that were resistant to God's will. Were you tempted to merely establish a truce rather than

obliterating every sin? Is anger one of sin's strongholds? If so, it will rise up against you in moments of weakness. Is there a stronghold of lust in your life? If so, you will succumb to it when caught off guard. In careless moments, these strongholds will still tempt you to continue your past sinful behaviors.

Do not underestimate the destructive power of sin. If there are strongholds in your life that you have never defeated, the Holy Spirit is still prepared to bring you complete victory.

Henry T. Blackaby and Richard Blackaby, [Experiencing God Day by Day](#) (Nashville, TN: B&H Books, 1998).

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DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING  
Fall Training Saturday, October 11, 2025 8:30 AM—4:30 PM Concord Baptist Church 1012 Concord Road Anderson, SC 29621 If anyone would like more information, please contact Don Blakeney @ 803-686-1560

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July Birthdays

David Wiley	7/5
Ben Young	7/6
Betty Coker	7/6
Gerhardus Bekker	7/9
Morgan Kears	7/10
Victor Googe	7/13
Charles Carlson	7/15
Marsha Ann Wiley	7/16
Salley Branch	7/19
Jerel Teems	7/20
Larry Manuel	7/21
Mickey MacLean	7/21
Sharon Craddock	7/25

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OUR RECORD SPEAKS 7/13/25

Enrollment/Attendance	37/ 24
Morning Worship.....	44
Sanctuary Carpet.....	100.00
Cemetery Fund.....	300.00
J.D. Chapman.....	12.00
Budget Offering.....	4315.00
Budget Needs (weekly ....	4339.00

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### OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

#### **Sunday, 7/20**

Coffee & Christ.....	9:00am
Sunday School.....	10:00am
Morning Worship .....	11:00am
Praise Band .....	4:00pm
Discipleship Training.....	5:00pm
Discipleship Path Study.....	6:00pm

#### **Tuesday, 7/22**

Handbells.....	6:00pm
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#### **Wednesday, 7/23**

Children's Choir.....	6:30pm
Prayer and Bible Study.....	6:30pm
Choir Practice.....	7:30pm

### **SERVANTS July 20, 2025**

#### **Tellers**

**Gordon Kearse, Ryne Paschall**

#### **Lord's Prayer**

**Tripp Williams**

#### **Church Monitor**

**Jonathan Brabham**

#### **Greeters**

**Betty Coker, Marsha Wiley**

#### **Ushers**

**Leroy Googe, Jacob Oswald**

#### **Nursery**

**Cindy, Sadie**

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