



North Shelby Baptist Church

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Minister's Minute

By: Alex Lovorn

Our students recently finished an amazing Disciple Now weekend where they learned to not fear things of the world and to put their trust in God. One of the great parts of the weekend was that Jason Cook, our speaker, preached messages that were so well timed and relevant for our students and our church. He preached the first night out of Joshua 1:6-9 and the points he made are challenging and fresh reminders to help us during our time of transition. Here are some of his points (paraphrased) and my takeaways from them:

1. Fear in transition is due to a lack of trust in God.

Understand that fear during change is primarily caused by your lack of control in the future and your attachment to good things of the past. God has blessed our church in the past, so trust in what He is willing to do and capable of doing in the future. If you have any feelings of anxiety, go to the Lord in prayer (Philippians 4:6-7). Don't be fearful, be strong and courageous!

2. Courage comes from meditating on God's word and His promises.

Instead of letting your mind dwell on what is uncertain, focus on what is certain. Read and meditate on God's word and remind yourself who God is and how faithful He is. There's no better way to cast out fear than to fix your eyes on the one who has the power and authority to conquer any fear. Knowing God's word makes you strong and courageous!

3. Boldness will come from knowing God is with us.

The same God who has brought us to this point will be with us in the future. Trust Him, for He will never stop being faithful to His people. Be strong and courageous, for the Lord is with you!

We serve a sovereign, loving God who holds the future of our church in His hands. Put all of your confidence in Him and be hopeful of how God will use our church for His glory now and in the future.

It's a joy to serve with you all,

Alex Lovorn

P.S. On Sunday, March 11th at 6:00 pm we will have a prayer service to seek God during this transition time. It would be great to have our whole church united in prayer together for our church.

Church Staff

Dr. Gary Fenton, Interim Pastor
Dr. John Boozer, Interim Minister of Music
Jon Jeffries, Minister of Education & Families
Alex Lovorn, Student Pastor
Julie Donovan, Children's Minister
Daniel Birdsong, Student Worship Director
Chris Byrd, Interim Administrator



Joyful Gathering...

Sunday, March 4th, Morning Sunday School: 364

Sunday, March 4th, Morning Worship: 341

Joyful Giving...

2018 Weekly Budget Goal—\$31,557.52

Week of 03/04/18 Actual Budget Receipts—\$32,859.65

Year to Date Budget Goal @ 03/04/18 (9weeks)

\$284,017.65

Year to Date Actual Budget Receipts @ 03/04/18

\$257,949.19

Text NSBC to 73256 to give using your text messaging. Standard text message rates do apply.

Ushers for Sunday, March 11th

Rod Burchell, Chris Fielding, Mike Hardy, Jeff Hester,
Britt Hill, Bill McGrady, Jamie Meadors,
Brad Sheffield

Security Team for Sunday, March 11th

AM: Steven Riggins, Ron Gray,
Rod Burchell, Brad Sheffield

PM: Steven Riggins

Greeters for Sunday, March 4th

Walter Bennett, Gary Kelley, Doris Parvin

Upcoming Opportunities

⇒ **Ladies Lunch Bunch**
Friday, March 9th, 11:00 am
- meet at church or 11:30 am
meet at Sarri's. RSVP with
Sherry Hartman
(205) 678-9427 or Sandra
Jones (205) 678-8117.

⇒ **Sit & Sew**
Saturday, March 10th, 9:00
am - 4:00 pm Fellowship
Hall. Contact Patsy Parker
for details.
pfparker@charter.net

⇒ **Next Level**
Sunday, March 11th, the
3rd—5th graders will go to
Next Level! Immediately fol-
lowing Worship.

⇒ **Deacons Meeting**
Sunday, March 11th, at 3:30
pm.

⇒ **Young at Heart**
Thursday, March 15th, Fel-
lowship Hall at noon. Bring a
covered dish or dessert to
share! Entertainment to be
announced.

⇒ **Easter Egg Hunt**
Saturday, March 17th from
12:00 pm—2:00 pm the chil-
dren will have an Easter egg
hunt. Invite a Friend.

Deacon on Call

March 11th—17th
Jeff Hester

(205) 567-6417



“Loving God and One Another;
Sharing Jesus with the World.”