



Minister's Minute

Have you ever thought of what it was like before you reached the time when you could remember things? At some time in your early years, you began to recall memories. They are remembered as "before" and "after" meaning before one can remember what others tell you. Then you begin to recall things of early childhood. This was the beginning of my thoughts when I saw a clip of a family on TV. They were a family of several children; however, this last child was doing what others had not done. He never learned to crawl. He sat up and took his feet and legs and slid on his bottom. I watched him closely since my family told me I had done the identical thing. I was told I never crawled. Mrs. Eloise Harrison told me my mother was bringing me to Church before Lewis Jr. was born. I was about 6 weeks old, so the Church came early in life. My first remembrance of Sunday School was with "Miss" Martha Jane who had the beginner's class. She had a table with sand and figures to remind us of the Bible. The next memory is of Mrs. Gladys Lancaster. She taught us to remember Scripture and I must have been about three before I was able to memorize the Scripture. My birth took place in an old house near Uncle Jimmy Gowan. I learned to slide on my bottom to see him. Daddy bought an old log house, the first home we owned. There was one happening I'm happy I don't remember. I was one year old, and we had moved into our home when I had begun to walk. I stumbled on the hearth and fell headfirst in the open fireplace leaving me with a scar all my life. I don't remember this at all. These are some of the "before" times. They had been told to me time and time again. My time of memory takes me back to having little family jobs like carrying water to the field workers and taking buckets of fertilizer to the

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distributor when planting cotton during the middle of April. There was also the feeding of hogs, checking the places where hens laid their eggs and sweeping the yard before Sunday came. No one had grass, just a smooth white yard you had to sweep with large sprouts of dogwood trees. I also tried but never learned to milk cows. One of my joyful bags of memories was living with my grandparents when my younger brother, Wayne became the baby of the family. My grandparents lived a very short distance from where my cousin Dudley Strange lived, who was like a brother. We roamed the woods and often played in the Blacksmith Shop. This was during my first grade of school so my grandfather, whose store was next to the school took me to school each day in his 1934 Chevy Sedan. Dudley and I later professed Jesus and were baptized on the same Sunday. As I think back, my memory must have begun when I was three or four! The point of this is to get you to try to recall when you began to remember versus the things you can't remember but have been told happened. Try going back and see what age you think you were when your mind began to register things you can recall. Can you remember your first visit to church? Your first Sunday School class?

Blessings, Bob

	April 7	April 14	April 21	April 28
Ushers:	Eddie Eubanks Will Eubanks	Mitchell Jenkins Martin Morrow	Kevin Horres Thomas Eubanks	Robbie Pettit Eric West
Children's Moment:	Chris Olson	Allison Morrow	Kevin Horres	Jennifer Eubanks
Children's Church:	Chris Olson	Ashley West	Erin Rollins	Taylor Thomas
Nursery:	Laura Olson	Donna Thornton	Marlee Pettit	Ashley West

April Birthdays

5 Jim Powell
 7 Chelsea Casey
 7 April Smith
 13 Lori Eubanks Jolly
 20 Daryl Smith
 22 Michelle Casey
 24 Josie West
 27 Mandy Hart
 30 Kevin Horres



Prayer Requests:

Joel & Katherine Smith, Jacob Casey, Bob Fisher, Daryl Smith, Susan Wilson, Gordon DePoint, Pat West, Shirley Barnett, Carol Knox, Barbara Eubanks, Gail & Claude Horton, Juanita Laughter, Joyce Wicker, Annie Laura West, Jane Miller Waters, Bruce Sanders, Joyce McCain, Gail & Sunny Vincent, Connie Jackson, Stephanie Malone, George Banks, Jeff Casey, Phil Cantrell, Scott Pitcher, Angel Flower, Sharon Peck, Jan Vassey

Homebound: Jerry Powell – RM Campbell Veterans Home, Anderson, SC



"The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective."
 James 5:16

Third Sunday Lunch

We started out Third Sunday Lunches again in January and had a wonderful turnout each month since. Thanks to all who helped setup, serve, and clean up afterwards. Make plans now to attend our April lunch on Sunday, April 21, 2024.

DONATIONS

We have three funds that you can donate to **In Honor of** or **In Memory of** someone special. Just mark your donation with which fund you want to apply it to. We have our **Building Fund** in which money donated goes to upgrades and future expansion projects related to our church buildings. We also have a **Cemetery Enhancement Fund** which will go towards future enhancements to our cemetery. And now we have a **Community Outreach Fund** that will support the projects undertaken by the Community Outreach Program.

Donations made In Honor of or In Memory of:

- *Jeff & Tammy Lindsey for the use of the FLC*
- *Bob Phillips In Honor of Rev. Rufus and Catheran Phillips*
- *Justin & Lisa McCorkle, Sarah Elizabeth May & Elaine Olson in memory of Chan Alexander (COF)*

General Donations:

Building Fund (BF), Cemetery Enhancement Fund (CEF), Community Outreach Fund (COF)

Bob Pettit (CEF), Bob Pettit (BF), Marion & Barbara Eubanks (CEF), Marianna McKeown (CEF), Abby Jenkins (BF), Dean & Gayle Thompson (CEF), Will Bailey (BF), Willis & Gail Vincent (BF)

*Donations that did not make this newsletter
will be included in the May edition.*

Prayer Time: Each week the Session is asking you to pause around noon one day and pray for a specific need that exists. That specific need is printed in the bulletin each Sunday. If you are unable to attend the service on Sunday, the bulletin is posted on our website each week (www.glennspringspres.org).

Thanks: to everyone who participated in the Maundy Thursday Service, the Easter Drama in the FLC, all who furnished the delicious breakfast that morning and all who enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt at the OSC. It was well attended. Thanks to the Fellowship, Worship, and Christian Education Committees for all the hard work that went into preparing for these events. We are grateful for the good attendance on Resurrection morning and pray that one day every pew will be filled. It was good to see Author Bob Phillips and other visitors in the congregation.

Thanks: It's hard to find the right words to express our thanks for all the cards, food, visits and phone calls during Shirley's illness. We are so grateful that we belong to such a caring Church. Thanks, from the bottom of our hearts, *Bob and Shirley*

Easter Lily: Due to many not realizing that we were collecting for the Unity Lily, we are extending the time for you to donate in honor or memory of someone for another two weeks. The forms are in the Narthex next to the bulletins. After that time the list of donations in honor or memory will be posted in the newsletter.

Glenn Springs Lending Library: A free lending library has been added to the Old Stone Church property. Everyone is invited to take books, or leave books. It is by the driveway next to the information kiosk. This is a project of the Preservation Society. Great place to put those extra books you've been meaning to donate. Enjoy reading!

"Growing up in Glenn Springs": All are invited to the Old Stone Church, Thursday, April 4 at 7pm to hear Col. John Gossett share memories and stories of growing up in Glenn Springs. No charge. Light refreshments.

Watch our Sunday services live on YouTube Live

The best way to access the service on Sunday mornings is by going to our website, www.glennspringspres.org and clicking on the **Watch Our Service Live!** button at the top of the page.

Church Mail

Please note that any mail, including memorials coming to the church, must go to the
PO Box 279, Pauline SC 29374.

Mail will not be delivered to the street address of the church.



The next Newsletter deadline is the last **Sunday in April**. Please have all newsletter submissions turned in by this date.